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OUTLINES.

The Moroccan conference has completed the minor details and is endeavoring to reconcile France and Germany concerning their differences; owing to alarm in France, the German government has announced that there will be no war, even if the conference is adverse to Germany——The Agricultural Department has put into effect the annual quarantine against cattle shipments from the South, including three-fourths of the eastern part of North Carolina; the appalling statement is made that Texas fever is responsible for an annual loss of $40,000,000 to the cattle industry of this country——It is cabled from London that the Countess DeCastellane (formerly Miss Anna Gould) is suing the Count for divorce——In the Greene and Gaynor trial in Savannah yesterday, Judge Speer reminded the jury to be patient, remembering that when the Republic is robbed it is their duty to see that justice is done to the government and the accused——The Democrats of the Senate yesterday entered into a compact to defeat the Santo Domingo treaty and compel a strict party vote on other questions——In the House of Representatives, nine speeches were made on the freight rate regulation bill, among those in favor of it being Representative Page, of North Carolina——It is proposed by the United Mine Workers to raise a strike fund of $2,500,000, and it is said that there is a possibility that 620,000 miners may strike April 1st, though both the miners and operators hope for the best——In Chicago yesterday 20 indictments were found against John A. Lynn, clerk of the circuit court, involving embezzlement, forgery and larceny to the amount of $50,000—Ice on the Illinois River, near La Salle, yesterday broke through and a priest and three students were drowned——New York markets: Money on call nominal, no loans; time loans easy; spot cotton steady at 11:45; wheat firm; No. 2 red, 90 1-4 elevator; corn steady, No. 2, 52 elevator; oats steady; mixed, 35 1-2 to 36 1-2; turpentine steady, 68 1-2 to 69 asked; rosin steady, strained comomn to good, 3.90 to 3.95.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture
Weather Bureau.
Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 3, 1906.

Meterological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., Saturday, Feb. 3rd:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 21 degrees; 8 P. M., 32 degrees; Maximum, 35 degrees; Minimum, 20 deegress, mean, 28 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month to date, .00.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., Friday, 14.0 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair and warmer Sunday. Monday fair, colder; fresh to brisk south winds becoming northwest Monday.

PORT ALMANAC—Feb. 4.

Sun Rises ..... 6:59 A. M.
Sun Sets ..... 5:29 P. M.
Day's Length ..... 10 hrs. 30 min.
High Water at Southport .. 4:07 A. M.
High water at Wilmington .. 6:37 A. M.

Needles and pins, needles and pins, When a man marries he has the broad grins.

Let's see, it is on the 17th of February when the Nation's sweetheart gets married.

The railroad people are keeping mighty quiet for fear the Hepburn bill will not be passed by Congress.

We are mighty sorry, but in the past few years American statesmen have gained more notoriety than they have reputation.

In Congress we used to have Republicans, Democrats and Populists. Now the aggregation consists of Republicans, Democrats and flunkeys.

Some people are good knockers but poor pushers. When you think about something to knock, trade it off for something to push. Push; don't knock.

Probably Secretary of War Taft thinks Poultney Bigelow spent twenty-eight hours on the isthmus and several days with former Chief Engineer Wallace in order to get data for his article knocking the canal.

Washington Post: "The Sultan of Morocco is said to have an inordinate thirst for money. He ought to get into the life insurance business." Wouldn't he have smoother sailing in Standard Oil?

An exchange says "there are a lot of politicians in this country who must be laid on the shelf." The trouble with the politicians, however, is that they won't stay on the shelf but manage to crawl out and get into a soft berth.

Congressman Sibley, of Pennsylvania, Republican now, fomerly a Democrat, in opposing the freight rate regulation bill, says he sees in it an empire ahead if the government goes to fixing railroad rates. That's the Democratic part of him that sees things like that so far ahead.

"Cotton nominal." This is the official quotation given from day to day, almost without exception, by the Chamber of Commerce of this city. We have had many inquiries as to the cause of this. Producers and others wonder if there is no market here for cotton, and if there is, why no figures are given. Those who think this a matter of no importance are mistaken.

"Your own property is at stake when the next house is on fire;" and your personal interests may be touched by some want ad. in to-day's paper.

LOCAL DOTS.

Fayetteville Observer: "The Rev. C. W. Lyon will be brought to Elizabethtown next Tuesday."

Wabush's Orchestra returned yesterday morning from Wallace where they played for a big entertainment last night.

—There will be a special convocation of Cape Fear Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M., to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock to confer the Most Excellent Master's degree.

—"Science Falsely So-called" is the text which Pastor Fred D. Dale has chosen for his sermon at the First Baptist church to-night, in presenting the subject, "Christian Science Unmasked."

—License was issued yesterday for the marraige of Miss Berta Lamb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lamb, of South Washington, N. C., and Mr. William Clark, a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Clark, of Wilmington.

—Bishop Strange will visit St. Mark's P. E. church (colored) this morning at 11 o'clock; speak at the meeting of the Boys' Brigade armory at 5 o'clock and visit the Chapel of the Good Shepherd at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

—District Deputy Grand Chancellor John F. Littleton is mailing to every Pythian in the State a copy of a circular announcing the Pythian District meeting at Chadbourn on February 21st. The programme will be announced later.

—The Star has with the compliment of Mr. F. H. Thompson a very handsome souvenir in the form of a paper weight, advertising the famous "raw hide" paper and paper bags sold by him for the Eagle Paper Company, of Richmond.

—Mr. Ephriam J. Dale, who is employed in the river and harbor service of the government, is laid up for a few days with a severe bone felon. He will likely be able to go to work again this week, though he still has a very bad hand.

—Bishop Strange will address the meeting at the Boys' Brigade Armory this afternoon at 5 o'clock. The meeting will be open to both ladies and gentlemen. A double quartette and Miss Nellie King, soloist, will contribute to the musical numbers.

—Capt. Wm. F. Robertson will speak to the boys at the Y. M. C. A. at 10 o'clock this morning and Mr. Chas. C. McNeil will speak to the men at 5 P. M. Both gentlemen are most interesting speakers and should be heard by large congregations.

—There was no municipal court yesterday and no arrests during the day. A. Pollock and his son, Isaac Pollock, colored, charged with an assault with a deadly weapon upon Mitchell Williamson, also colored, were arrested Friday night, but were not tried in the absence of witnesses.

—Carolina Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, is arranging for a big minstrel feto or burlesque circus the last of the month. The committee in charge is composed of Messrs. Julius P. Taylor, Nathan J. Hoyt and C. W. Hollowbush. Definite announcement more in detail will be given later.

—A dispatch from Mexico City last night states that the United States Mining and Smelting Company, of Boston, had purchased the Rio Del Monte mine at Pachuca, Mexico, paying for it $4,000,000. The company will expend $3,000,000 in improvements. The mine was owned principally by Minister of Finance Limantour.

—A very successful meeting of the New Hanover Teachers' Association was held yesterday morning. The features of the meeting were an address by Mr. Eugene S. Martin in which he gave some personal reminiscences of the battle of Bentonville; a paper by Mr. Robert F. Lewis on the best methods of teaching geography and a general talk by Prof. Catlett.

—A chimney burning out at 512 North Third street, owned and occupied by William Cunningham, called the fire department out in response to an alarm from box 26 at 8:45 A. M. yesterday. At 10:20 A. M. the alarm from box 49 was on account of a fire from a defective flue at 315 South Fifth street owned by Mrs. Runge and occupied by L. W. Moore; damage about $150.

DR. McCLURE WILL REMAIN.

Gratifying Announcement to His Congregation This Morning.

The religious community in general and the congregation of Saint Andrew's Presbyterian church in particular will rejoice in the news that Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, D. D., has decided after prayerful consideration, to remain in this city and not accept the call recently extended to him to become pastor of an influential church in Shelbyville, Tenn. Dr. McClure visited the Shelbyville church last Sunday and was much impressed with the field there, but very strong pressure was brought to bear upon him after his return to remain with Saint Andrew's, the work there being in very prosperous and promising condition. This pressure brought to bear upon him was not only by his own church, but by the Christian men and women of Wilmington at large, for Dr. McClure is not essentially a sectarian, but a man of the whole people.

It is indeed gratifying to the people of this city, the Presbytery of Wilmington and the Presbyterians of North Carolina that Dr. McClure will remain in their midst. Dr. McClure will officially make the announcement of his decision at the morning service at Saint Andrew's to-day.

Sale of Suburban Lots.

There is interest in an auction sale of suburban lots by Mr. W. A. Dick, commissioner, which will take place today at noon in front of the Court House door. A plat of the property has been made and will be exhibited to all bidders at the sale. The property is situated at the intersection of Seventeenth and Market streets and extends along the turnpike or Market street road. The sale is to close up an estate and some bargains in the property are said to be offered.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Bromonia—What is It?
Jas. M. Hall—Medicines.
Stieff—Car Loads Pianos.
I. Shrier—Spring Clothing.
E. E. Hashagen Co.—Cigars.
C. W. Yates & Co.—Valentines.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Cloaks, Furs.
J. W. Murchison & Co.—Hardware.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Board—For Couple.
Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bowden.—Notice.
Geo. G. Clows—Lady or Gentleman.

TERM IS CONTINUED

Indications That Jury in Lamb Case Will Be Kept Together Until Tuesday

ORDER MADE LAST NIGHT

Still There is No Verdict and Apparently No Likelihood of An Agreement—Incidents of Day's Proceedings in the Trial.

Although it was noised about last night that there had been a change in the division of the jury from nine to three to ten to two in favor of acquittal, the general belief is that there is no nearer an approach to a verdict in the Lamb case in the Superior Court than there was on the day the trial was completed. The jury is still out and the indication is that the judge will keep the twelve men together until Monday morning or Tuesday noon before discharging them unless an agreement is reached in the meantime. The only thing officially new in the case was an order by Judge Webb at 10:45 o'clock last night continuing the term of court until Tuesday at noon. At the hour named His Honor summoned the attorneys in the case and court was formally opened and the order dictated to Deputy Clerk W. N. Harriss as follows:

"It appearing to the court that the regular term of this court expires at 12 o'clock to-night, it now being 10:45 P. M. Saturday night, Feb. 3rd, 1906, and a trial for felony having been in progress in this court since last Monday morning and the jury having failed as yet to return a verdict therein and no judgment having been given therein, and it appearing to the court that it is necessary for this court to be continued into next week, it is, therefore, ordered by the court that this court shall continue until next Tuesday, Feb. 6th, 1906, at 12 o'clock for the purpose of the case now in consideration."

The court was then adjourned until 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The jury was not brought out of the room at all when the order was made and it is doubtful if they know of the continuance of the term until yet. The wording of the order is construed to mean that the judge will bring members of the jury before him at 8 o'clock Monday morning and they will be polled. If there then appears no likelihood of an agreement, a mistrial will be ordered. However, if the outlook is favorable it is thought Judge Webb will remain with them until Tuesday noon if necessary, postponing the opening of Sampson court at Clinton until Wednesday morning. The attorneys for the defence appear anxious that the jury shall remain together as long as possible and appear to be bringing every influence to bear to that end. They argue that another trial would be expensive to the county and would involve much labor and trouble.

The faces of members of the jury indicate as much as ever a hopeless division. They remained in the Court House all day yesterday and last night and to all outward appearances seemed to be making the best of an unpleasant situation. They were taken to their meals regularly at the Rountree House, on Market street, and were given short walks morning and afternoon for exercise. They are very fortunate in having as one of their number a barber and so far as unkempt beards and mustaches are concerned, those who have hirsute appendages, may appear to-day as neat as if they were attending church services at any house of worship in town. Mr. William Tiencken is the barber of the twelve and he was permitted to send for his kit of tools yesterday and treat his fellows to as good a shave as they could have gotten anywhere in town.

The all absorbing topic of general comment on the streets yesterday was the Lamb case and there was frequent inquiry as to whether the jury had come out. Telephone bells in newspaper offices last night were kept ajingle and from far and near were expressions upon the case and the probable result of the hearing.

There was a suggestion on the streets yesterday that Judge Webb might take the jury with him to Sampson court as was the custom with the judges riding the State circuits in the long ago, but there is little likelihood that such a thing will be necessary.

Solicitor Duffy will remain in the city until the case is disposed of. Then he will go with Judge Webb to Clinton the two weeks term of the court there being for the trial of both civil and criminal causes.

REMAINS WILL ARRIVE TO-DAY.

Funeral of Late Phillip W. Delano, in Wilmington, This Afternoon.

The remains of the late Phillip W. Delano, accompanied by members of the bereaved family and friends will arrive from Washington, D. C., on the train from the North this morning, and will be taken to the home of Mr. George N. Harriss, on South Fifth street. The funeral services will be conducted at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon from Saint James' Episcopal church by the Rev. R. W. Hogue, rector of the parish, and the interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

The remains will be accompanied to Wilmington by Admiral and Mrs. Delano, parents of the deceased; Mr. Frederick Paine, of Newport, R. I., an uncle; Capt. F. P. Delano, United State Marine Corps, a brother; Mrs. Delano, the breaved young wife; Mr. and Mrs. George N. Harriss, of Wilmington, parents of Mrs. Delano; Lieutenant David F. Boyd, U. S. N., of Charleston, S. C., and Mr. George P. James, of Washington, D. C., friends of young Mr. Delano.

CATHERINE KENNEDY HOME.

Contributions to the Catherine Kennedy Home for January: Mr. J. A. Montgomery, sausage; Mrs. A. A. Willard, barrel of potatoes; Mrs. B. F. Hall, sausage, liver, ribs; Mrs. H. F. Wilder, eggs and milk; Mrs. Bridgers, coffee; Mrs. Cantwell, fish and potatoes; Pole and Tie Co., wood; Mrs. J. C. Stevenson, magazines; Mrs. Josh James, printing; Mrs. Roger Moore; Consolidated Co., gas; Consumers Ice Co., ice; Mr. R. R. Bellamy, drugs; Mr. J. Hicks Bunting, drugs. Monthly meeting will be held at the Home Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

THE COTTON SITUATION.

Condition Interestingly Discussed With Trade by Wilmington Merchant.

In line with the suggestion of Vice President A. J. McKinnon, of the Southern Cotton Association, at the annual banquet of the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday night, Mr. J. A. Taylor, of this city has addressed the following letter to his connections in the country with regard to the cotton situation:

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 1st, 1906.—Cotton Acreage—10,000,000 bales of cotton are worth to the South in money value $100,000,000 more than 14,000,000 bales. But for the fact that the bumper crop of 1904-'05 followed a 10,000,000 bale crop, the price would have probably gone to 5 cents and the upward move in Southern prosperity turned back for five years. Cotton occupies a distinct position in farm products, and the Southern farmers have it in their own hands to name the price. When an increase in acreage become known, the Wall street bear speculators begin at once to depress the price of the new crop, and at the same time to lower the price of the unsold portion of the old crop. In order, therefore, for the farmers to realize the best results for the crop already grown and unmarketed the acreage for the new crop must be only sufficient to meet the world's demands for the twelve months ensuing. Reduction in acreage is the only means of insuring a profitable price to the farmers for their product.

The spinners of the world will readily operate on full time with cotton at 12½c., but the spinner, being human, will not pay 12¾c. If the farmers produce more than the world needs. It is simply up to the farmers to grow rich or poor, and they have no right to complain, if, after they have planted for or produced a bumper crop, the bear operators depress the price below the cost of production. The unsold portion of last year's crop can be marketed at much higher than present prices if the farmers of the South will determine to reduce acreage and live up to the agreement. The bear operators are now discounting the farmers' intelligence and loyalty. Teach them a lesson.

It is to the interest of every business man in the South to use his influence to induce the farmers to reduce acreage 10 per cent. from that of last year. Yours truly,

J. A. TAYLOR.

THE PLUMBING ORDINANCE.

Alderman Will Consider New Measure at Meeting Monday Night.

One of the most important matters for consideration at the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Aldermen to-morrow night is the ordinance recommended by the Board of Health, advised by the County Medical Society and endorsed by the Journeyman Plumbers, providing a system of sanitary plumbing inspection in Wilmington. The ordinance has been up some time, but lately has been in the hands of the Sanitary Committee of the Board of Aldermen which will make favorable report on the same at the meeting to-morrow night. By resolution of the Board at the last meeting, copies of the proposed ordinance have been furnished to all members of the council and all are expected to be able to vote on the question intelligibly at the time indicated.

Section 1 of the ordinance provides that all pulmbers before engaging in the trade of a plumber must be licensed after due examination by a Board of Examiners composed of the Superintendent of Health, the City Engineer and one competent plumber, to be named by the Board of Health and to be in no wise connected with the city government. The Board of Examiners is empowered to make all reasoninspector of plumbing is to be approved by the Board of Health. An inspector of plumbing to be appointed, who shall receive his compensation from work inspected which is prescribed at $1 for each fixture new and 50 cents for old work. For special services extra compensation is allowed, all payable by the property owners.

NEW MILLINERY STORE.

Misses Donnelly and King to Open First-Class Establishment.

Wilmington is soon to have a new and up-to-date millinery and fancy dry goods establishment. The location will be the store at southeast corner of Front and Grace streets, recently vacated by the Stieff Music House and the proprietors will be Miss Ella V. Donnelly, for six years with the C. W. Polvogt Company, and Miss Jennie T. King, formerly with the dry goods establishment of Mr. C. H. Fore, on Market street. The young ladies are thoroughly acquainted with the details of the new business in which they will engage and have special talent for the millinery art. They will leave in a few days to make purchases for their new stock and expect to open the millinery store about the first of March. They have many friends among the ladies of Wilmington who will welcome the announcement of their purpose to open the new establishment.

SERIOUS CUTTING AFFRAY.

Two Cotton Mill Operatives in Fight at Lumberton.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Lumberton, N. C., Fed. 2.—A serious cutting affray occurred at the Lumberton Cotton Mill this morning, in which Frank Pate was badly slashed. He was cut in several different places, 20 stitches being required in dressing the wound. It seems that Pate and Frank Branch, both employed in the mill, had some trouble while on duty last night, and decided to fight it out when they went off duty this morning. Branch was arrested and placed in jail to await results of Pate's injuries.

Wanted in South Carolina.

Sheriff T. S. Burch, of Florence, S. C., is here and early this morning in company with Officer C. E. Wood, went out and brought in one or two negro fugitives wanted in the Palmetto State. Sheriff Burch says that it is as natural for a negro who has committed some offence in Florence to flee to Wilmington and vice versa, as it is for the sparks to fly upward.

Another Baraca Rally.

Bishop Robert Strange and Mr. James F. Post, treasurer of the Atlantic Coast Line, will be the principal speakers at another big Baraca Bible Class rally at the Second Advent church Thursday night of this week. Mr. Alf. Yopp has been engaged as organist and both the Acme and Baraca quartettes will sing. The occasion promises to be most enjoyable indeed.

TRUCKING INTEREST

East Carolina Delegation to Oppose Railroad Measure in Virginia Returned

HEARING WAS SATISFACTORY

Question of Perishables and Necessity of Operation of Trains to Be Left Largely With Corporation Commission—The Proceedings.

President Wm. E. Springer, Business Agent H. T. Bauman and other members of the East Carolina Fruit and Truck Growers' Association Executive Committee returned yesterday morning from Richmond where they went to oppose pending legislation before the Virginia General Assembly looking to the prohibition of Sunday trains for the movement of perishable freights through that State. They were joined in Richmond by prominent fruit growers from South Carolina, Georgia and from Norfolk, Va., all aloud in their opposition to the bill, the enactment of which would result disastrously to the trucking interests of the entire South.

The bill seems to have been aimed at the Norfolk & Western, which sought to evade an existing law in Virginia prohibiting all trains except those used in the movement of live stock and perishables. It is said to have been a favorite evasion of that road to make up long trains of coal cars with a calf or a bull in a car in the middle of the train and operate the whole out of the State on the ground that the train was to move perishable freight or live stock. It was to break up this evasion that a very drastic measure was drawn up for passage at this session of the Assembly, but the truckers and railroad people are of the opinion that they have succeeded in getting the proposed act so amended as not to work any injury to the trucking interests which necessarily have a vital interest in the legislation.

In its account of the hearing before the comimttee of the Assembly the Richmond Times-Dispatch of yesterday says:

"Those who spoke were President Johnson, of the Norfolk and Western; President Stevens, of the Chesapeake and Ohio; President Emerson, of the Atlantic Coast Line; President Spencer, of the Southern.

"There was no cross-firing; no discussion; no interrogatories, but the presidents were simply heard as to the friendly relations existing between the roads and the State, and the lack of disposition on the part of the former to infringe upon the rights of the people. The session was a most satisfactory one, and resulted in at least a better understanding between our companies and the law makers. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the Ould bill to prevent the running of freight trains on Sunday was considered at length. Strong speeches were made on both sides and amendment after amendment was offered.

"The Rev. James Cannon offered a suggestion that only one mixed train containing cars of live stock or perishable freight be allowed over any one division of a road on any given Sunday.

Another amendment was offered, and finally adopted in lieu of all the other propositions, requiring the companies to refer the question of the necessity of operating freight trains on Sunday to the corporation commission.

"The bill fixing the passenger fare rate in the State at two cents per mile was fixed for hearing next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, when it will come up as a special and continuing order."

TEACHERS' ASSEMBLY, 1906.

Meets in Raleigh in June—Arrangements in Progress.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 3.—Official announcement was made this morning that the next session of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly will be held in Raleigh June 12th till 15th. This decision has just been reached by the executive committee, which is composed of many of the leading educators throughout the State. The announcement is made that the entertaining capacity of the city will be ample as several of the largest boarding schools have offered to open their dormitories for the entertainment of the visiting teachers of whom probably not less than fifteen hundred will attend. The charge at these college dormitories will be $1.00 per day including table board. The Raleigh Chamber of Commerce offered the committee ample financial support in making the session one of the most successful in the history of the assembly.

The Secretary of State charters the "Living stream Enterprising Brotherhood," an insurance order with principal office in Rocky Mount.

BASKET BALL LAST NIGHT.

Two Games In Y. M. C. A. League Series—The Winners.

Two good games of basket ball were played in the Y. M. C. A. league series in the gymnasium of the Association last night. King defeated the team of Hunter by a score of 15 to 7 and Newkirk was victorious over the team of Woolicott in a score of 9 to 6. In the latter game, the score was a tie when the two 15-minute halves were completed, each team having six points to its credit. In the playoff Newkirk won in the score above given. The teams of Newkirk and Woolcott are now leading the league, each of them having won two games and lost one. Haynes and King have each lost and won a game. Hunter has lost two games but thus far has been able to take nothing to his credit in the percentage column.

Negro Died Suddenly.

The police last night investigated the sudden death of L. Fleming, a colored bricklayer employed by Contractor R. H. Brady. Fleming went to a house where he boarded, back of Ruth Hall, lay down on a bed and suddenly died. Police Sergeant Woolard, who made the investigation, found no suspicion of foul play and it was not thought necessary to summons the coroner. The negro's death appears to have been caused by heart disease

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. F. M. Shelley, of Buffalo, N. Y., is at The Orton.

—Mr. G. M. Serpell, of Norfolk, was at The Orton yesterday.

—Mrs. W. L. Hill, of Warsaw, was a guest at The Orton yesterday.

—Mr. C. C. Hargrave, of Lexington, was a guest at The Orton last night.

—Mr. E. DeWitt Smith, of Raleigh, was among last night's arrivals at The Orton.

—Miss Ethel Holden is visiting friends at "Cebu," near Allen's Station, S. C.

—Mrs. M. M. McKinnon, of McCall, S. C., and Miss Anna Graham, of Laurinburg, were guests at The Orton yesterday.

—The many friends of Mrs. J. W. West will regret to learn of her critical illness at her home, 607 North Fifth street.

—Friends of Esquire McEvans will be glad to know he is able to be up in his room after nearly three weeks of a severe attack of la grippe.

—Mr. Samuel F. Jones, of Boston, of the Boston Rescue Mission, who was expected here early in March is desperately ill and his coming will be delayed indefinitely.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Transfers Which Appear From Deeds Filed For Record Yesterday.

From deeds filed for record yesterday the following real estate transfers appear:

F. A. Bissenger and wife to Harriet E. Winstead, for $200, property on North side of Dawson, 197 feet west of Seventh street, 33x66 feet in size.

W. D. Pugh to W. G. James and J. M. James, for $1 and other considerations, property on south side of Orange, 77 feet west of Tenth street, 37½x66 feet in size.

Owen Martindale and wife to Arthur W. Branch and wife, for $600, property consisting of 22½ acres of land in Masonboro township on south side of Fork branch.

W. D. Sumlin, of Atlanta, Ga., to Mrs. W. L. Harlow, for $2,250, property on south side of Campbell, 89 feet west of Fourth street, 66x76 feet in size.

Virginia E. Bunting to H. R. Kuhl, quit claim to property on south side of Bladen, 82½ feet east of Eighth street, 41¼x66 feet in size.

COST SOUTH $10,000,000

President Taylor of Ginners' Association Condemns North's Report.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Washington, Feb. 3.—President J. A. Taylor of the National Ginners' Association, in a signed statement tonight asserted that he had "found out that intentionally, I believe, the January 16 report of the census bureau included from one to seven days more ginning than should have been included and this report will cost the South $10,000,000. The discrepancy was caused by the way the instructions were given to the government agents asking them to get from ginners the amount of cotton ginned to date and the amount they expected to gin. The ginners believed that the cotton already ginned and yet to be ginned were to be added for a total report and in many instances gave the agents the numbers of bales ginned to, say on the 17th or 23rd of the month. There was also a loss of $700,000,000 in our trade balance with foreign countries as a result of this report."

He quoted Mr. North as saying a leak from his office had never been discovered and said he thought Mr. North "was mistaken."

A. W. RIVENBARK DEAD.

Passed Away Friday Night at James Walker Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Amy W. Rivenbark died Friday night at 10 o'clock at the James Walker Memorial Hospital where he han been a patient for three months. The cause of his death was malarial gangrene with which he had suffered much before his death. Mr. Rivenbark was 46 years of age, and had been in poor health for several years. The funeral services were conducted at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the lodge in Oakdale cemetery, Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., and Rev. Fred. D. Hale, D. D., officiating. The pallbearers were Messrs. D. H. Penton, J. D. Nutt, B. F. Scott, J. R. Turrentine, Jr., George Sloan, Sam Bear and Sol. Sternberger. Among the floral tributes was a very handsome design sent by Clarendon Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of which the deceased was a member.

TO PROTECT THE FISH.

Governor Glenn Will Have All Existing Evils Corrected.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 3.—Governor Glenn announces that pursuant to a resolution passed by the State Geological Board, he will at once take steps to do all he can to have the laws passed by the last Legislature for the protection of the fish industry enforced. The trouble is the serious injury to the industry by the obstruction of water ways leading from the sea to the spawning ground of shad and herring.

Cutter Seminole Sailed.

In response to a telegram from the Department, the United States Revenue Cutter Seminole sailed yesterday afternoon for Southport and expected to proceed immediately north to Cape Henry to render assistance to the schooner Maggie S. Hart, reported in the telegraphis dispatches of the Star yesterday morning as ashore near Hatteras Inlet.

An Important Meeting.

The Chamber of Commerce will hold an interesting special meeting to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock to which all members are urgently invited. The pilotage bill now before the National Congress will be discussed and another matter of great interest to the business community will be considered.

Science Hall at the State Normal School, at Athens, Ga., was completely destroyed by fire at 5 o'clock yesterday morning. The building was the contribution of James M. Smith, Geo. Foster Peabody and the State and was to cost about $30,000. It was just about completed and caught from a stove in the second story being used to dry plastering.

Want ads. bring about "quick changes" in your affairs—quick improvements when things are "going down hill" with you. **

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Clothes to Measure by I. Shrier's Swell Tailors.

It is not necessary to wait for so-called expert cutters at my establishment, as I have my expert always on the spot with New and Progressive Styles, Modern Methods, Dependable Fabrics and ExclusiveIdeas. Being the recognized leader of merchant tailoring in the State and carrying only Exclusive Made-to-Measure Lines in my tailoring department, I take pleasure in naming the following lines that I represent:

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The Reliable Clothier and Furnisher,
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GET IT IN FROM 5 TO 10 MINUTES

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feb 4-tf.

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feb 4-tf.

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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON. N. C.

Sunday Morning, Feb. 4.

A GOOD REPORT OF THE CANAL.

Under the above heading the Charlotte Observer quotes from the Star's report of the speech of Senator Simmons at the banquet of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce and says concerning Mr. Simmons' encouraging remarks about the Panama Canal:

"The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce held its annual banquet Wednesday night and Senator Simmons was one of the guests and speakers. Mr. Simmons was one of the Democratic Senators who, with breadth and far-sightedness, voted for the ratification of the Panama treaty, which made the great water-way possible, and is a member of the Senate committee on inter-oceanic canals. What he says, therefore, touching the situation on the isthmus and the prospects for the digging of the canal, carries a certain authority, and his Wilmington speech, which appears to have dealt almost exclusively with these subjects, is, therefore of profound interest. * * *

"The South will be the canal's greatest beneficiary—what it will mean to this section, to this State, is beyond computation. Other sections can afford to be somewhat complaisant under carping criticism of conditions on the isthmus and the apparently slow progress in getting the actual work under way, but those people of the South who are ambitious of its prosperity, and who believe that the administration at Washington and the canal commission are doing their very best with this gigantic proposition, should be pardoned if they are a little impatient with the carpers."

We have often spoken of the incalculable advantages of an isthmian canal to this State and the South generally, and we really believe that the nigh cut it will give commerce to the East will benefit this section more than any other portion of America. It will be a tremendous stimulus to our cotton manufacturing industry and to the iron and coal interests in particular, and we are sure that our gulf ports will eventually do the greater portion of the grain export business of this country. If we live long enough we will see ships loaded at our Southern ports with cotton or cotton goods, and sail by way of the canal for China, Japan and other Oriental markets; and if we ever expect to see this country spinning most of our cotton crop instead of allowing Europe to manufacture nearly 75 per cent. of it we will have to look to the canal to bring about that desired result.

There is no doubt about the immense importance of the canal to the South, and while we know that the South has no tollerance whatever for mere carping about canal matters, no portion of the Republic will be less indignant and restless under any gross abuses in connection with the construction of the canal. We will help build the canal and at the same time sit down on the carpers and blow up any rottenness that is attempted while the canal is being constructed.

MORAL: TAKE NEWSPAPERS.

The Raleigh News and Observer says:

"Hon. R. N. Page, writing to the Monroe Journal of the probable discontinuance of all free rural delivery routes that do not handle 2,000 pieces of mail a month, says that 'everything possible will be done by the people's representatives to avoid such action, but the only sure way to prevent such adverse ruling is that the people living upon those routes should more liberally patronize them.' The best way to patronize them is for everybody on a free rural route who can afford it to subscribe for a daily paper, and for others to take weeklies and semi-weeklies. This will help to educate the children and instruct and entertain the whole family as well as keep up the route."

The newspapers will regret as much as our country friends to see them deprived of the rural delivery routes. It is a good thing for both the country people and the newspapers, but the people living in the rural districts are tremendously interested in the perpetuity of these routes. It is a great convenience for them to have their letters and papers delivered at their doors without the delay or loss of time they would otherwise have in sending to distant postoffices, but the greatest advantage of country mail delivery is that it carries information and enlightenment into the country homes by making it easy for the people to get newspapers that will keep them abreast with daily happenings in the world. It developes the taste for reading and we doubt whether there is any such an educator as plenty of reading. By taking the newspapers, the man in the country gives the rural route sufficient business to make it worth the government's while in keeping it up and by giving his family plenty of reading matter he is helping the cause of education right at home. With their mail delivered without charge, everybody on a rural route can afford to take a paper. Let the people get busy and take enough papers to keep their route from being discontinued.

THE APPALACHIAN RESERVE.

The Charlotte Observer says:

"The people of this section of the South, or those of them who ever stop to think, are profoundly impressed with the necessity for some action to stop the destruction of the forestry, in consequence of which the beds of the streams are filling up and the low country is subjected to alternate periods of drought and drying up of streams. As a result of this interest, it is to be expected that the meeting to be held in Charlotte on the 22d instant in the interest of the Appalachian forest reserve will be a good one and that a good influence will go out from it. Governor Glenn, of this State, Governor Heyward, of South Carolina, and other distinguished gentlemen will be present. The attendance should be large and the purpose earnest as the importance of the subject to be discussed deserves."

CURRENT COMMENT

—When he hasn't enough Republican Congressmen Mr. Roosevelt looks around and picks up a Democrat or two.—Baltimore Sun.

—In spite of many new prohibition laws the number of cigarettes produced in this country last year was 379,978,990 greater than for the year preceding.—Philadelphia Press.

—A few years ago, when cotton was five cents a pound, there was an exodus from the country to the towns, and mill labor was plentiful Now farm life is prosperous and the mill hands have gone back to farming. This country needs more people.—Charlotte Chronicle.

—The Tar Heel's fight is not for spoils. Its fight is for a party. There can be no party until we can have open, fair primaries and freedom from the boodle and tyranny of bossism. If Frazier squanders his salary in buying delegates to conventions he'll fool both friend and foe.—Greensboro Tar Heel (Rep.)

—It looks like Senator Overman will succeed in getting an apprporiation of $15,000 for the building of a street from Salisbury to the National Cemetery at that place. This cemetery is beautifully kept but is seldom seen except from car windows on account of the poor road leading to it. The government would not be doing its duty in providing a modern approach to this cemetery.—Charlotte Chronicle.

—Publicity is not a cure for all the ills that flesh is heir to, but it is a mighty good preventive for many of the political ills that infest some places. Give full and wide publicity to the doings of city, county and State officials, and they will not get far wrong before they will be detected. Public business can be transacted in a public manner, and when it is not it is time to investigate.—Chester (Pa.) Times.

—Congressman Thomas will have to look to his laurels, as Mayor George E. Hood, of Goldsboro, is slated as a candidate for nomination next summer when the Congressional convention of that District meets. The Republicans care very little whether it is Hon. Thomas or Hon. Hood whom they will have to oppose. There object will be to nominate a candidate who can defeat either.—Winston Republican.

Davidson College has been extremely forunate in securing the promise of Hon. John Sharp Williams to deliver the annual address at the commencement in June. Mr. Williams is one of the really great men of the county and his presence at Davidson on this occasion will be an annual attraction. His welcome to North Carolina would be a cordial one if the fact were otherwise, but it will lose nothing in warmth from the fact that his forebears on one side were North Carolinians, on which account this State has an especial interest in him.—Charlotte Observer.

TWINKLINGS

—Mrs. Knicker—Is your husband an after dinner speaker? Mrs. Bocker—No, but he does a powerful lot of grumbling during it.—Brooklyn Life.

—She—I'd like to sing, but there are so many people here. He—Oh, don't be bashful. You wait till you begin and there won't be so many.—Judge.

Muggins—It costs more to live than it used to. Buggins—Yes; and the undertakers are raising their rates, so it also costs more to die.—Philadelphia Record.

—First Student—That philosopher's antecedents were all millers. Second Ditto—Possibly that accounts for the fact that he's such an awful grind.—Detroit Free Press.

—"Yes, indeed, he's the homliest man in public life to-day. Havn't you ever seen him?" "No," but I've seen carricutures of him." "Oh, they flatter him. You should see him."—Catholic Standard and Times.

—"Estelle, this is an abominably cooked steak. You can cook better than that. "Oh, but mother," expostulated the young wife, "if I cook my best Harold will eat it all and there will be nothing left over for croquettes and things."—Minneapolis Tribune.

—"Poor woman! She works hard all day and then she's up nearly all night with the babies." "What's the matter with her husband? Why doesn't he help her?" "Oh, he puts in all his time agitating for an eight-hour day for the working man."—Philadelphia Press.

—"Ha! You refuse me, then, proud beauty? Well, I know your reasons. Were I rich wou would be but too glad to accept me!" "Mayhap it is even so, Rupert Fitzgoobler, But by my troth you would have to be a whole lot richer than anybody else in the world, I'll tell you that."—Cleveland Leader.

"What a difference in the suffering at time of childbirth

when Dr. R. V. Pierce's medicines are used," writes Mrs. Edmon Jacobs, of Battersville, Johnson Co., Ind. "I had not heard of Dr. Pierce's medicines three years ago when I was confined, so had to suffer almost death. Before baby was born I could not be on my feet without two persons holding me. The baby was a boy, weighing 9¼ pounds, and for some weeks after his birth I suffered severe pain. Last fall, following the advice of a neighbor, my husband bought me Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, which I took during the winter, and in March, I gave birth to a baby boy, weighing 10¾ lbs. I was only in labor two hours and was on my feet without pain until thirty minutes before baby was born. He is now three months old and weighs 19 lbs. I know it was Dr. Pierce's medicine that saved me from suffering. I advise all women to take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, also his 'Pleasant Pellets,' if necessary."

"The advice of a neighbor."

"Following the advice of a neighbor." What a weight of confirmatory evidence there is in those six words. The neighbor had tried the "Favorite Prescription" and recommended it. Mrs. Jacobs has also tried it and proved its wonderful properties and now she recommends it. Beside such testimony as this its maker's words are unimportant. Mrs. Jacobs' experience is a fact. Her neighbor's experience is a fact. The written experiences of 500,000 other women are facts. There is no theory about it. There can be no question about it. In every neighborhood in this broad land there are women who have been cured by the "Favorite Prescription." It has cured more cases of female complaint than all other medicines for women combined. It is the only medicine of its kind invented by a skilled specialist in medicine—a regularly graduated physician of more than forty years' actual experience.

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The Rev. J. C. Warren, pastor of Sharon Baptist Church, Belair, Ga., says of Electric Bitters: "It's a God-send to mankind. It cured me of lame back, stiff joints, and complete physical collapse. I was so weak it took me half an hour to walk a mile. Two bottles of Electric Bitters have made me so strong I have just walked three miles in 50 minutes and feel like walking three more. It's made a new man of me." Greatest remedy for weakness and all Stomach, Liver and Kidney complaints. Sold under guarantee at all Druggists. Price 50c. **

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 3, 1906.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm, $3.40.

TAR—Market firm at $1.80 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm at $2.80 barrel for hard; $4.50 for dip and $4.50 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin nothing doing; tar firm at $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $2.30, $3.70.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	16
Rosin	92
Tar	372
Crude	48

Receipts same day last year—29 casks spirits turpentine, 232 barrels rosin, 273 barrels tar, 48 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market—Nominal.

Same day last year—Nominal.

Receipts, 141 bales; same day last year, 236 bales.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina, Prime, 85c.; extra prime, 90c.; fancy 95c., per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 45c.; extra prime, 50c.; fancy, 55@60c.; Spanish 85@90c.

CORN—Firm; 62 1-2@65c. per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady, hams, 15 to 16c. per pound; shoulders, 11 to 12; sides dull, 11 to 12.

EGGS—Dull, 18@20.

CHICKENS—Dull, Springs, 15c to 25c.; Grown, 30 to 35.

BEESWAX—Firm, at 26@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 7-2@5c. per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50c @55c. per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2c. pound.

TURKEYS—Firm, 15c for live; dressed, 18 to 20c.

HIDES—Dry salted, 12c.; green, 8c. per pound.

PORK—Dull, 5 to 6; hams, 10 to 12 1-2c.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

New York, Feb. 3.—The cotton market opened steady at a decline of 8 to 10 points on the old crop, and of 4 points on the new crop months in response to disappointing cables and the liquidation of some of yesterday's small buyers. There was buying of a pretty good character at the decline, however, and the market ruled generally steady during the early session with prices during the middle of the morning about 4 or 5 points up from the lowest. The week end figures were bearish but private cables from Liverpool reported a bullish interpretation of yesterday's census figures and a good trade demand.

Receipts at the ports today were 17,591 bales, against 13,429 last week and 14,694 last year. For the week (estimated) 125,000 bales, against 124,947 last week and 91,742 last year. To-day's receipts at New Orleans 5,986 bales against 4,031 last year, and at Houston 4,782 bales against 2,290 last year.

Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands, 11.45; middling gulf, 11.70; sales none.

Futures opened steady; March, 10.84; May, 11.00; July, 11.11; August, 10.95 bid; September, 10.50 bid; October, 10.41.

Futures closed barely steady. Closing bids: February, 10.78; March, 10.91; April, 11.00; May, 11.11; June, 11.14; July, 11.19; August, 11.07; September, 10.55; October, 10.40; November, 0.41.

Port Movement.

Galveston—Steady, 11c.; net receipts, 7,502 bales.

New Orleans—Steady, 10 7-8c.; net receipts, 5,986 bales.

Mobile—Quiet, 10 7-8c.; net receipts, 254 bales.

Savannah—Quiet, 10 11-16c.; net receipts, 2,526 bales.

Charleston—Quiet, 10 11-16c.; net receipts, 91 bales.

Wilmington—Nominal; net receipts, 141 bales.

Norfolk—Steady, 11c.; net receipts, 928 bales.

Baltimore—Nominal, 11 3-8c.

New York—Steady, 11.45.

Boston—Quiet, 11.45; net receipts, 63 bales.

Philadelphia—Steady, 11.70.

Jacksonville—Net receipts, 100 bales

Total to-day, at all ports—Net, 17,591 bales. Exports: Great Britain, 264 bales; France, 1,806 bales; Continent, 18,676 bales; Stock 889,433 bales.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 17,591 bales. Exports: Great Britain, 264 bales; France, 1,806 bales; Continent, 18,676 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all ports—Net, 5,752,486 bales. Exports: Great Britain, 1,940,708 bales; France, 544,743 bales; Continent, 1,601,266 bales; Japan, 43,630 bales; Mexico, 1,864 bales.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Quiet, 10-15-16c.; net receipts, 4,782 bales.

Augusta—Quiet, 11 1-8c.; net receipts, 369 bales.

Memphis—Quiet, 11c.; net receipts, 1,308 bales.

St. Louis—Quiet, 11 1-4c.; net receipts, 422 bales.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 455 bales.

Louisville—Firm, 11 1-2c.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Liverpool, Feb. 3.—Cotton.—Spot good business done; prices 6-points lower; American middling fair, 6.43d.; good middling, 6.09d.; middling, 5.93d; low middling, 5.77d.; good ordinary, 5.59d.; ordinary, 5.43d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales of which 1,500 were for speculation and export and included 8,200 American. Receipts 32,000 bales, including 26,100 Americans. Futures opened easier and closed steady; American middling G. O. C: February, 5.79d.; February and March, 5.79d.; March and April, 5.83d; April and May, 5.86d.; May and June, 5.89d.; June and July, 5.91d.; July and August, 5.93d.; August and September, 5.87d.; September and October, 5.68d; October and November, 5.61d.; November and December, 5.58d.

NEW YORK FINANCIAL

New York, Feb. 3.—Money on call nominal; no loans. Time loans steady; 60 days, 90 days and six months, 4 1-2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4 1-2@5 1-4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 487.15@487.25 for demand and at 483.75@483.85 for sixty day bills. Posted rates, 484 1-2 and 488. Commercial bills 483 1-4@483 1-2. Bar silver, 65 1-2. Mexican dollars, 50 1-2.

N. Y. Bonds.

U. S. refunding, 2s reg	103
U. S. refunding, 2s cou.	103
U. S. 3s reg	102 1-4
U. S. 3s cou.	102 1-2
U. S. old, 4s reg	103
U. S. old, 4s cou	103
U. S. New 4s reg.	129 1-4
U. S. New 4s cou	129 1-2
American Tobacco, 4s cert	81 1-8
American Tobacco, 5s cert	116 1-2
Atlantic Coast Line, 5s cert	102
Baltimore & Ohio	104 1-8
L. & N. Unified, 4s	103 3-4
Seaboard Air Line	91
Southern Railway, 5s	118 3-4
U. S. Steel, 2d 5s	99 3-4

Closing Stock List.

Amalgamted Copper	109
American Sugar Refining	146 3-8
American Tobacco pfd., cert	105 3-4
Atlantic Coast Line	161 1-4
Baltimore & Ohio	114 1-4
Baltimore & Ohio, pfd	98
Chesapeake & Ohio,	68 1-2
Louisville & Nashville	150
Manhattan L.	159 3-4
New York Central	148 7-8
Norfoolk & Western	89 1-2
Norfolk & Western, pfd	92
People's Gas	97 1-8
Reading	137 7-8
Reading, 1st pfd	93
Reading, 2nd pfd	101 1-2
Southern Pacific	67 3-4
Southern Pacific, pfd	118
Southern Railway	40 7-8
Southern Railway, pfd	101 1-2
Tenn., Coal & Iron	155
U. S. Steel	44 3-8
U. S. Steel, pfd	111 7-8
Va.-Car. Chemical	48 3-4
Va.-Car. Chemical, pfd	114
S. A. L., com	
S. A. L., pfd	
Standard Oil	690
Western Union	93 1-2

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET

Chicago, Feb. 3.—The first specific reports of damage to fall sown wheat which have been received here, caused unusually activity and strength in the wheat market today. At the close wheat for May delivery was up 7-8. Corn was up 1-4@3-8. Oats showed a gain of 1-4. Provisions were 7 1-2 to 32 1-2c higher.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open	High	Low	Close.
Wheat, No. 2.--				
May	84⅜	85½	84⅜	85½
July	83½	84½	83½	84½
Corn, No. 2.—				
May	44½	44⅞	44½	44⅞
July	44½	44⅞	44½	44⅞
Sept	45	45⅛	45	45⅛
Oats, No. 2.—				
May	30½	30⅞	30½	30⅞
July	29¾	29⅞	29¾	29⅞
Mess Pork, per bbl.—				
May	14.40	14.72½	14.40	14.67½
July	14.50	14.82½	14.50	14.77½
Lard, per 100 lbs.—				
May	7.72½	7.80	7.72½	7.77½
July	7.92½	7.95	7.85	7.90
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—				
May	7.85	7.92½	7.82½	7.92½
July	7.97½	8.02	7.92	8.02½

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour, steady; Winter patents, 3.80@4.00; Straights, 3.80@3.85; Spring patents, 3.75@3.95; Straights, 3.60@3.70; Bakers, 2.20@3.00; No. 2 spring wheat, 84@85; No. 3 spring wheat, 79@84; No. 2 red, 85 3-8@86 5-8; No. 2 corn, 42@42 1-2; No. 2 yellow, 42 1-2 No. 2 oats, 30 1-2; No. 2 white, 30@30 1-2; No. 3 white, 30@31 1-4; No. 2 rye, 65; Mess pork, per bbl., 14.35@14.40; Lard, per 100 lbs., 7.62 1-2@7.65; Shrt ribs sides (loose), 7.65@7.75; Short clear sides (boxed), 8.00@8.12 1-2; Whiskey, basis of high wines, 1.29.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET

New York, Feb. 3.—Flour dull but steady; Minnesota Patents, 4.50@4.85; bakers, 3.60@3.90. Winter patents, 4.10@4.40.

CORN MEAL—Steady; fine, 1.15; coarse, 1.02@1.03; kiln dried, 2.70@2.90.

WHEAT—Firm; No. 2 red, 90 1-4 elevator. Options 1-2@3-4c net higher. May, 90 5-8; July, 89 3-4; September, 87 3-8.

CORN—Steady; No. 2, 52 elevator. Options 1-8c net advance; May, 50 5-8; July, 50 5-8; September, 50 7-8.

OATS—Steady; mixed, 35 1-2@36 1-2.

BEEF—Steady; family, 11.50@13.00; mess, 9.00@10.00; beef hams, 20.00@21.50; packet, 10.50@11.00.

CUT MEATS—Dull; pickled bellies, 8 1-4@9; pickled shoulders, 6 1-2@7. Pickled hams, 9 1-4@9 1-2.

LARD—Steady; western steamed, 7.85@7.95; refined steady; continent, 8.00; compound, 6 1-8@6 3-8.

PORK—Firm; family, 16.00; short clear, 15.00@17.00; mess, 15.00@15.50.

TALLOW—Steady; city, 5 1-8; country, 5@5 1-4.

COTTON SEED OIL—Steady to firm with a moderate trade. Prime crude f. o. b. mills, 24 1-2@25; prime summer yellow, 31 3-4 @32; prime white, 35@35 1-2; prime winter yellow, 35@35 1-2.

POTATOES—Weak; Bermudas seconds per barrel, 3@5; Maine and other eastern per bag, 1.75@1.90; State and western, 1.60@1.80; foreign, 1.50@1.75; sweets unchanged.

CABBAGES—Dull, unchanged.

FREIGHTS—Steady, unchanged.

PEANUTS—Steady, unchanged.

BUTTER—Steady, unchanged.

CHEESE—Quiet but unchanged.

EGGS—Firmer; nearby selected, 25@26; western firsts, 18 1-2.

RICE—Steady; domestic, 3 1-2@6.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans, 30@28.

COFFEE—Spot Rio firm; No. 7 invoice, 8 1-2; mild steady; Cordova, 9 3-4@12 3-4; futres steady at a net advance of 5@10 points.

SUGAR—Raw quiet; fair refining, 2 15-32@3; centrifugal, 3 7-16@3 1-2; molasses sugar, 2 11-16@2 3-4; refined steady; confectioners A., 4.55; mould A., 5.05; cut loaf, 5.40; crushed, 5.40; granulated, 4.70; cubes, 4.95.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Feb. 3.—Turpentine steady 68 1-2 to 69 asked; rosin steady, strained common to good, 3.90 to 3.95.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 3.—Turpentine firm, 65 1-2; sales 124; receipts 202; shipments, 1,748.

Rosin firm; sales 3,085; receipts, 3,663; shipments, 5,457; stock, 69, 735. Quote: A. B. C., 3.40@3.45; D., 3.42 1-2@3.45; E., 3.40@3.45; F., 3.45@3.50; G., 3.50@3.55; H., 3.80@3.85; I., 4.35@4.40; K., 5.10; M., 5.35; N., 5.85; W. G., 6.05; W. W., 6.15.

Charleston, S C., Feb. 3.—Turpentine firm, 64; sales none.

Rosin firm; sales none. Quote: A. B. C., 3.30; D., 3.30; E., 3.30; F., 3.35; G., 3.40; H., 3.70; I., 4.25; K., 4.95; M., 5.20; N., 5.70; W. G., 5.35; W. W., 6.00.

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Steamers.

Ribera (Br), 2,252 tons, Hurford, Heide & Co.

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Brigs.

Alcaea, 363 tons, Southard, C. D. Mafflt.

Schooners.

Mary L. Crosby, 394 tons, Warren, C. D. Mafflt.

John I. Snow, 152 tons, Wood, C. D. Mafflt.

C. C. Lister, 266 tons, Moore, C. D. Mafflt.

Eliza A. Scribner, 350 tons, Dodd, C. D. Mafflt.

Augustus Welt, 1,111 tons, Sproule, C. D. Mafflt.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 3, 1906.

C. C. Railroad—51 bales cotton; 88 barrels tar; 17 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—35 bales cotton; 20 barrels rosin; 4 barrels crude turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—23 bales cotton; 14 casks spirits turpentine; 28 barrels rosin; 41 barrels tar; 7 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—6 bales cotton; 23 barrels rosin; 56 barrels tar.

Stmr. Whitlock—1 bale cotton; 40 barrels tar; 5 barrels crude turpentine.

Stmr. Tar Heel—9 bales cotton; 6 barrels rosin; 145 barrels tar; 15 barrels crude turpentine.

Stmr. Compton—16 bales cotton; 2 casks spirits turpentine; 15 barrels rosin; 2 barrels tar.

Total—141 bales cotton; 16 casks spirits turpentine; 92 barrels rosin; 372 barrels tar; 48 barrels crude turpentine.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcements by Wilmington Pastors for City Pulpits To-Day.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Odd Fellows' building, second floor: Services at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Subject of Lesson sermon: "Soul." All are invited.

St. Thomas' church: First Mass, 7 A. M. Last Mass. Sermon, 10:30 A. M. Vespers, 7:45 P. M.

Brooklyn Baptist church, corner Fourth and Brunswick streets, Rev. J. A. McKaughan, pastor: Preaching by the pastor at 11 A. M. and at 7:30 P. M. Sunday School, 3:30 P. M. Wednesday night prayer meeting at 8 o'clock. Public cordially invited.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, corner of Sixth and Market streets, Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor. English service, 11 A. M. Vesper service, 7:30 P. M. Theme: "Called by the Gospel." Sunday School, 3:30 P. M. Christian Association 4:30 P. M. Annual congregational meeting, Tuesday 8 P. M. Seats free; all are cordially invited.

Market Street Methodist church, next to corner of Ninth and Market streets; There will be services to day at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School, 3 P. M.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, North Fourth street, Rev. C. W. Kegley, pastor: Sunday School at 10 A. M.; Preaching services at 11 A. M.; Vesper services at 7:30 P. M.; Young People's Society, Thursday at 8 P. M. Every person welcome.

Services in St. John's Church to-day, Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany; Litany, sermon and Holy Communion at 11 o'clock. Sunday School, 4 P. M. Seats free; strangers cordially invited.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, corner Front and Queen streets: The services of this church are for all who will attend. The hours of service are, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. All visitors and strangers in the vicinity of this church are most cordially invited to attend. The seats are free and you are welcome.

Bladen Street Methodist church, corner of Fifth and Bladen, Rev. A. J. Parker, pastor: Service Sunday, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sabbath School, 3:30 P. M. Prayer Meeting Wednesday, 7:45 P. M. Public is cordially invited.

St. James Episcopal church, services to-day at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. All are invited.

Bishop Strange will preach at the Chapel of the Good Shepherd at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

Rt. Rev. Robert Strange, D. D., Bishop of East Carolina, will preach at St. Mark's church, colored, this morning at 11 o'clock. Other services will be 3:30 Sunday School; 4:00 Children's Vespers; 7:45 Choral Evening and sermon. Candles for use on the altar throughout the year will be presented at the evening service. The public cordially welcome to all services.

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The A. D. T. Messengers will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Co.; or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for the telegrams, and but a small charge for notes and small packages. For this service call Western Union, 'Phone 2. But for advertisements always call the Star Office, 'Phone 51.

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOM. Apply to 608 Orange St. fe4-tf

WANTED—A COMPETENT SUPERintendent to take charge of a furniture factory; manufacturing case goods. Address, Oakland Manufacturing Co. Winston-Salem, N. C. fe4-1t

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NOTICE.—MR. OR MRS. J. J. BOWden will not be responsible for any money gotten by note purporting to be signed by them. fe 4-1tp

WANTED.—LADY OR GENTLEMAN of fair education to travel for firm of $20,000 capital. Salary $1,071 per year, payable weekly. Expenses advanced. Address Geo. G. Clows, Wilmington, N. C. fe4-2t p

TIMBER FOR SALE—FIVE MILLION feet; about three-quarters long-leaf pine, near the S. A. L. Ry., about midway between Raleigh and Charlotte, C. B. Russell, Asneboro, N. C. ja 31 6t pd

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A COMPETENT BRICK MASON IS wanted at the Star Office to do some repair work. ja 30 3-t

A STRONG, HEALTHY BOY 14 TO 15 years old who is not afraid of work may find employment by making application at the Star Office. References required. ja 30 tf

THE FIRST INSTALMENT OF THE twenty-seventh series of the North Carolina Home Building Association is payable Saturday, February 3d., at the Sheriff's office. P. H. Stedman, Secretary and Treasurer. ja28-1w

SWEET LIPS SHOULD TASTE THE sweet delicacies served at "The Oasis." For instance, Sliced Pineapple, Bananas, and whipped cream, hot chocolate with Whipped Cream, home-made Cakes, Sandwiches with home-made Rolls, Vegetable Soups, Clam Bouillon, tomato Bouillon, Beef Tea, Malt Coffee, the best cereal coffee made. We delight to please the ladies. ja2-tf

FRESH ARRIVALS—BANANAS, Apples, Onions, Oranges, Cabbage, and Irish Potatoes. Two cars just arrived. A. S. Winstead. oc22-tf

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Happenings and Doings In Society.

Mrs. Jas. F. Payne delightfully entertained the Hoyle Whist Club last Tuesday evening.

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Rev. Armand DeRosset Meares, of Marion, N. C., was a welcome visitor during the past week.

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Mrs. G. Herbert Smith entertained most charmingly at a "Bridge Evening" on Thursday night.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Williamson, of Whiteville, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. N. M. Culbreth during the past week.

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Mr. Chas. H. Conoley, a former Wilmingtonian, now of Atlanta, Ga., was cordially greeted by his former friends last week.

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Miss Mary Borden, who has been on a pleasant visit to friends in Goldsboro, has returned to the city much to the pleasure of her host of friends.

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Mrs. A. H. Slocomb and her daughter, Miss Lillian, entertained very pleasantly at cards at their home in Fayetteville Thursday afternoon.

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For the first time this season there were no attractions at the Academy of Music for so long a time as a week, as was the case for the past six days.

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Mrs. Carl Bacon is the guest of her father, Mr. Jno. R. Kenly. Mrs. Bacon's friends are always pleased to extend her a cordial welcome to Wilmington.

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Miss Mary Hinsdale Slocomb gave a very delightful dance at the home of her parents in Fayetteville Wednesday evening to which several ladies of this city were invited.

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Mrs. H. H. Kasprowitz, of Richmond, Va., who has been visiting Mrs. A. Shrier, returned home Monday, accompanied by Mrs. Shrier, who will be her guest for some time.

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Mrs. Frederick W. Dick entertained very pleasantly at the pretty little lodge of the Country Club on Wednesday afternoon, complimentary to her guest, Mrs. Frank L. Hilton, of New York.

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The reception on Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Thos. S. Burbank and Miss Daisy Burbank was one of the pleasantest functions of its kind of the season and was enjoyed to the fullest extent by the guests.

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Lynchburg (Va.) News: "Mrs. Daisy Kingsbury, wife of Dr. W. R. Kingsbury, and two children, of Wilmington, N. C., are in the city on a visit to Rev. J. W. Shackleford and family, at their home on Cabell street."

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Miss Lucile Murchison was hostess of a trolley party and oyster roast at Lumina on Tuesday afternoon. Miss Murchison's guests numbered twenty and enjoyed very much their outing in the car chartered for the occasion.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Partrick, of Clinton, were guests at The Orton the past week, returning from a delightful sojourn in Florida. Mrs. Partrick attended the marraige of Miss Monk and Mr. Draughon, in Fayetteville, soon after her return.

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Raleigh Evening Times, 1st: "Mrs. W. J. Woodward left to-day for her home in Wilmington after spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. A. F. Bowen. She was accompanied by Miss Eunice Woodward Bowen, her grand-daughter."

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Wilmington friends of Miss Annie Kenan will be gratified to know that she continues to improve at her home in Kenansville. Dr. Geo. G. Thomas and Dr. Pride Jones Thomas, of Wilmington, spent last Sunday and Monday with their patient.

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Greensboro Record, 31st: "Mrs. Harry Woolcott, of Wilmington, will arrive Saturday to visit her friends Miss Mattie Griffith. Before her marriage, Mrs. Woolcott was Miss Katie Manlitt, of Wilmington, and attended the State Normal College here a few years ago."

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Mr. F. Hopkinson Smith, Jr., auditor of the Standard Oil Company with headquarters in Paris, France, arrived Thursday evening from abroad and joined Mrs. Smith here. Mrs. Smith has been spending some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Kidder, in this city.

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Misses Bessie and Minerva McNeill, daughters of Capt. J. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, who have been on a pleasure trip to New York, are spending a few days in Washington. They were entertained at luncheon at the capitol Tuesday by Reperesentative Patterson, and were guests at an automobile party on Wednesday.

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The Baltimore Sun of the past week contained the following society note: "Mrs. Edwin Johnston entertained a few friends at luncheon yesterday at her apartments at Earl Court. The guests were Miss Trenholm, Miss Isabel Ramsey, Miss Thorpe, Miss MacDiarmid, of Fayetteville, N. C., and Miss Fairley, of Wilmington, N. C."

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Mrs. William Rand Kenan, who has been on a delightful visit to her daughter, Mrs. Henry M. Flagler, at the Ponce de Leon, in St. Augustine, Fla., and at Mrs. Flagler's Winter home, Whitehall, Palm Beach, returned to her home in this city last Sunday. Miss Sarah Kenan and Miss Hanna Bolles, who accompanied Mrs. Kenan to Florida, are still guests at Whitehall.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lilly and Mr. and Mrs. S. H. MacRae, of Fayetteville, who are making a Winter trip in the West Indies, were at Nassau, New Providence, last Monday. Friends have received an excellent photograph of an old Spanish fort at Nassau, enshrined in a dismantled window of which is a picture, and a very good picture of one of the party, Mrs. MacRae.

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The New York American says diamond cutters are working night and day on the bewildering array of jewels which the friends of Miss Alice Roosevelt are having set in special designs as wedding gifts. A Havana dispatch says the Senate has authorized President Palma to expend up to $25,000 for a wedding present for Miss Alice Roosevelt, which will be presented to her in the name of the Cuban people.

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In honor of her sixth birthday, little Miss Florence Green Scott delightfully entertained between thirty and forty of her young friends at the hospitable home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scott, Seventh and Princess streets, Tuesday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock. Dainty refreshments were served and the afternoon was delightfully spent by all in attendance.

Among the out-of-town guests were Misses Daisy and Kathryn McLean, of Mount Olive, N. C.

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A unique entertainment was given Thursday evening in the lecture room of Grace M. E. church. It was in the form of a circulating library party, about thirty young ladies being dressed to represent as many well known books. The entertainment was novel and was a delighful success. Mrs. Herbert E. O'Keefe, Miss Mattie Lee Horne, Miss Rena Mills, Prof. Jno. F. Kneissel, of Hollowbush's Orchestra, and others contributed to the musical features which were unusually good.

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Friends of Mr. Frank K. Myers, formerly of this city, now of Charleston, S. C., will be delighted to know that he is rapidly convalescing from a severe attack of typhoid fever and was able to sit up some during the past week. At the monthly meeting of the Saint Andrew's Society in Charleston Wednesday night, the president announced the convalescence of Mr. Myers, who was a prominent member of the organiation, and a toast was proposed to the absent member. The Society arose and drank heartily to the sentiment. The News and Courier says, "And there was not a wet glass left when the pleasant incident was ended."

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As yet no date has been decided on for the musical and literary evening of the Colonial Dames though preparations are going on apace. The musical part of the entertainment will be the songs of the 17th and 18th centuries, which will embrace Ben Johnson's "Drink to me Only With Thine Eyes;" "Here's to the Maiden of Bashful Fifteen," as originally sung in Sheridan's School for Scandal; "Hunting Song," by Fielding; "Blow, Blow the Winter Winds," by Dr. Ame, and one of Shakespeare's songs, "Oh! Willow, Willow," as originally sung in Othello. The Dames will hold a meeting Wednesday at which time no doubt the date will be named.

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Friends of Lieut. J. E. Reinberg will be interested to know that he is in charge, temporarily at least, of the United States gunboat "Bancroft," which has been turned over to the Navy Department to the Treasury Department for use as a practice ship for the cadets of the Revenue Cutter Service. The Bancroft was taken in tow by the U. S. S. Windom from Norfolk to Baltimore the past week. The ship is to be fitted out in time to be ready for the summer cruise of the cadets, beginning in May. In addition to those who are to become line officers it is expected that new appointees in the Engineer Corps will have their initiation on the Bancroft.

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Miss Mary Black, formerly of Wilmington, and Miss Johnsie Bason, of Red Springs, assisted with a choir recital at St. John's church, in Fayetteville, Thursady night. The Observer says of the recital: "The regular choir was assisted by Miss Mary Black, a charming soprano, with a clear, true voice, and Miss Bason, violinist, whose execution on the instrument was faultless, and her expression exquisite, both of the Presbyterian Women's College at Red Springs. Very sweet voices in the choir, besides the delightful ones making up the chorus, were those of Mrs. W. L. Holt, Mrs. Herbert Lutterloh, Misses McRee and Mary McNeill. The organ overtures were splendidly rendered by Mrs. I. W. Hughes."

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The closing days of January have been comparatively dull and for next week there is small prospects of gayety. Indeed, short as the season has been, it is already definitely on the wane. The 28th of February brings Ash Wednesday very near, since it falls this year on the last of the month. Two more entertainments of the German clubs will end the dances for the year, as none are to be given after Easter. There has been frequent comment during the Winter of lack of gayety, but as a matter of fact, the season, though short, has been far from dull. The number of large private dances and entertainments has been unusual, but these and all the smaller affairs were scattered over a longer period of time, and the fashion of reserving dates by announcing them before the cards are sent out has become so prevalent as to almost prevent any two large affairs falling on the same day.

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Macon, Ga., society has something new and decidely novel. It is thus described in the society column of the Augusta Chronicle: "Saturday night Mrs. Lee Jordan of Macon, Ga., gave a Long Distance Telephone party. As Mrs. Jordan's guests had finished supper they went into the parlor and there made out a list of people whom they wished to call up on over the Southern cities. A special operator in Macon, Ga. received each conversation over a wire from the Atlanta operator, and the connection was simultaneously made to Mobile, New Orleans, Atlanta, Savannah and other points, and they had quite an extended talk, the people of Macon talking to their friends in other cities over the South. Among those who talked was the society editor of the Atlanta Constitution, Major Hanson, of the Central R. R., Mr. Jno. D. Little, of King, Spalding & Little, Mrs. J. K. Ottley, Miss Divis Horner, Mrs. Haygood, who was giving a party at the same time at Atlanta, in honor of Miss Hemmingway, who was the guest of Mrs. J. K. Ottley, wife of the cashier of the Fourth National Bank. This is the first time a long distance telephone party has been given in the United States, and has created quite a little talk among the society people."

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The Society Editor is not gifted with occult powers nor is he authority on forms of courtship, and hardly knows how to answer the following note: "G. N. H., Please tell me in your Sunday's paper how you can know if a young lady cares for you, and what is the best way to address her. J. W. G."

J. W. G., if you think she does, she doesn't, and if you think she doesn't, perhaps she does. The best way to ascertain is to ask her, but you need not write a set speech to make, as you will not say anything you ever thought of. A young man whom we knew well, memorized a poetic thought in which to address his lady love and after gulps, and general idiocy, he blurted out "Do you love me?" A soft and gentle "No" was his answer, but that little "No" sounded like the bursting of a cannon. He decided to go West, but started in the direction of Hades. In a few days the memory of a pair of soft brown eyes drew him back, and he determined to be a man, and try again. After months, which seemed like years, a soft "Yes," rewarded him, and the wife of to-day is the standard by which he measures all things good.

Be a man no matter what unhappiness falls to your lot, and you may yet win her.

No more inquiries will be answered in this column.

The centre of a group of prominent New York women, printed in the pictorial section of the New York Times last Sunday is a splendid likeness of Mrs. Pembroke Jones reproduced in fine half-tone from a photograph by Histed. Grouped about the picture of Mrs. Jones on the first page of the section are likenesses of Mrs. Hattye Stanton, Mrs. Alfred De Cordova, Miss Vera Gilbert, Mrs. Richard M. H. Harper (nee Bacon), and Mrs. Frederick H. Benedict.

The sketch accompanying the photograph of Mrs. Jones is as follows:

"Mrs. Pembroke Jones was Miss Sadie Jones, of North Carolina, whose grandfather was Thomas Jefferson Jones, who fought for Texas and for whom a county in that State was named. Mrs. Jones gave one of the most notable balls two years ago for the Misses Ellen and Laura Delano, the favors for which were extremely handsome, and last Summer at Newport she gave at Inchquin a beautiful dance for her debutante daughter, Miss Sadie Jones. During the holidays Mrs. Jones, with her husband and daughter, went to their plantation, Airlie, near Wilmington, N. C. While there they entertained their Southern relatives and friends, giving a ball for Miss Jones, which was attended by about 400 people, members of old Southern families.

"While a comparatively recent comer to New York, Mrs. Jones has taken her place with Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, Mrs. Hermann Oelrich, and other leaders of the Newport coterie as a hostess. In appearance Mrs. Jones is of middle height, with a figure neither plump nor slight, and dark brown hair and eyes. She is noted for her unassuming and cordial manners and is extremely popular."

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The "Seminole" was the scene on Thursday night of one of the most novel and unique entertainments of the season. The decks and rigging were decorated artistically with Chinese lanterns, while the cabin and wardroom were made beautiful by touches of Japanese Chrysanthemums and cherry blossoms, which would have been Onita Watona's delight to describe. The occasion was the "Chop Suey" given by Capt. and Mrs. Quinan, which carried out in part, both Chinese and Japanese form of entertainment. Some of the ladies wore flowered kimonas, while others wore genuine Chinese Mandirin coats from abroad, and all were in Oriental costumes, which, with the uniforms of the ship's officers, and the conventional black of the civilian guests, gave the idea of an Arabian Night's tale. The refreshments were "Chop Suey" and "Sake" punch, the latter being served by little Miss Nan Beebe and Master Edward Quinan, who wore very pretty Chinese and Japanese costumes, and were an attractive feature. The Oriental scheme was aptly carried out in every detail. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Cutchen, Lieut. and Mrs. Cairnes, Lieut. and Mrs. Chiswell, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Albright, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Chambers, Mrs. Beverly Beebe, Miss Heloise Beebe, Miss Lucy Bridgers, Miss Margaret Bridgers, Miss Madeline DeRosset, Miss Tallulah DeRosset, Miss Fannie McNeeley, Miss Amy Harlow, Miss Mildred Davis, Miss Frances Chadbourn, Miss Borden, Mr. Thos. H. Wright, Mr. Burke H. Bridgers, Mr. Reid Williams, Mr. Frank G. Harriss, Mr. R. W. Williams, Mr. Richard Bradley, and Lieuts. Crapster, Reinberg, Adams and Young.

NOTE OF WARNING.

Washington Post Discusses European Immigrant Idea in South.

(Washington Post.)

"Those of our Southern friends who have imbibed the European immigrant idea with characteristic enthusiasm, and are now mightily alarmed over the prospect of losing some of the projected influx through the cunning machinations of their Northern rivals, will do well to examine the current reports of Italian activity in certain parts of New York and Pennsylvania.

We note from time to time, in various esteemed contemporaries published beyond the Potomac, editorial injunctions of great solemnity and news accounts of meetings, addresses, and resolutions, all tending to educate the Southern public in this connection. White immigration from Europe is necessary (sic) to the upbuilding of the section. With large floods of white laborers from the Southern and Southwestern districts of that continent, our prosperity will advance by leaps and bounds. Agriculture, commerce, mining, and manufacturing will increase upon a scale of geometrical progression. Everybody will be rich and happy next week if not sooner. And there you are!

"Meanwhile, however, The Post's suggestion stands, knocking at the door of recognition. Why not take a good look at the fruits of Italian and Slav immigration in other parts of the country before trying it by wholesale for ourselves? We have had very little experience of this kind at the South, and that, in most instances, has been discouraging. It is not so very long since New Orleans had to resort to the expedient of a general massacre in order to rid itself of a gang of professional assassins, cutthroats and blackmailers—just such a gang as can now be found in different parts of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. The expedient was successful. The machinery of organized crime has been transferred to the North, and New Orleans is now free of the curse which, in 1889, threatened its civilization and defied its laws. If the 'Black Hand' still lingers there, it wears a particularly soft glove, and Italian gentlemen—merchants, professional men, &c.—are no longer at the mercy of murderers and pirates. It is a fact, however, that the character of the element has not changed at all. The Mafia have merely found a new field for their activities—effected a change of domicile, so to speak—and the pestiferous ferment is as fruitful as it ever was.

"But why should the South open its doors to a new invasion of this kind? It is sufficiently notorious that Italy, Hungary, and the Danubian provinces are anything but anxious, or even willing, to send us their virtuous, wholesome, and desirable peasantry. They are all blessed with these industrious, worthy, and valuable elements of population, but our agents in that part of the world know that we receive very little infusion from those sources. European governments are only too anxious to deport their criminals and degenerates, and it is of record that we have been only too incautious in the matter of receiving them. It does not follow, however, that Southern communities need give asylum and opportunity to these outlaws. The South is growing richer every day with the material already at its disposal. Why imperil the certainty of a splendid and a sound development by adventure in strange fields with sinister and abhorrent instruments?

"It is no doubt true that the South will be benefited by an increase of population and of industrial material, but the South can well afford to move carefully in this regard. As things now stand, its prosperity is assured. Our Southern friends need only hold aloof from perilous experiment in order to reap the promise now beckoning from sure ground."

PINGPONGERS.

Just a Smile on the Latest Craze From the Sayings of Jesters.

Mrs. Crimsonbeak—What kind of a cigar is that you're smoking?

Mr. Crimsonbeak—That's the latest, dear. It is called pingpong.

"Well, I can't understand why they call it that," said the lady, with her hand at her nose. "It certainly is not adapted to the house."—Yonkers Statesman.

"Pingpong's lots more exciting than outdoor tennis, don't you think so?"

"Oh, yes. There's isn't much out of doors you can break."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

"And whereabouts in this plan is your dining room?"

"We don't have any dining room. We are going to serve our meals in the pingpong parlor."—New York World.

"Do you pingpong?"

"Well, I've got so I can just about half play it."

"Eh? Which half, ping or pong?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

She—What does a game of pingpong cost?

He—Well, the last game I know anything about cost me $4 for plate glass, $2 for gas globes and the friendship of a sweet girl I chanced to hit in the eye. —Baltimore News.

Betty—What do these letters, "P. P. C.," on the card Mrs. Kayflip left here mean?

Biddy—Pingpong champion, ye ignoramus.—Cincinnati Tribune.

"Lively game, isn't it?"

"Oh, yes. It has brought the strenuous life into the parlor."—Puck.

Rather Discouraging.

"She told me she had made a study of palmistry."

"Well?"

"Well, she offered to read my palm, and I let her."

"Naturally."

"And then she told me that I was going to suffer a disappointment in love, but would get over it and marry a poor girl."

"What did you say?"

"What could I say? She's rich, and I had intended to propose to her that very evening."—Chicago Post.

A Case For Andrew.

"Andrew Carnegie says, 'No one can cheat a young man out of success in life.'"

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GERMAN GLEANINGS.

One German engineer officer has been sentenced to a month's imprisonment and another heavily fined for receiving presents from the contractors engaged on the new fortification scheme at Metz.

The Prussian budget for 1902 appropriates 20,000 marks for further study of means of prevention and early diagnosis of typhoid fever, 10,000 marks to the committee for cancer research and 53,000 marks for a cancer ward and laboratory.

Prussia has 200 meteorological stations fully equipped, 2,200 rain gauge stations and 1,400 stations that record storms and unusual phenomena. The results of their observations are reduced and published for each week, for each month and for each year.

Kaiser Wilhelm has given orders that a gift of money, the Chinese war medal, a letter of honorable mention and a book called "German Marines In the Siege of Peking in 1900" shall be presented to the family of every marine that was killed at Peking.

FACTS FROM FRANCE.

Forty years ago tuberculosis was nearly unknown in the Basque district of France, but is now rife there.

Within the last five years the consumption of absinth has doubled in Paris. The amount now drunk in a year is 8,000,000 bottles.

Among the French conscripts drawn from the department of the Charente-Inferieure in a young man named Larochе, the youngest of a family of thirty-two children, twelve of whom are still living.

A Parisian lamplighter makes his rounds on a bicycle, with a long torch carried over his right shoulder. He guides the wheel with the left hand and is so expert that he lights the lamps without dismounting.

A monument to Lieutenant Francois Garnier, who explored Yunnan in 1866-68 and in 1873, has been erected at St. Etienne. His discoveries and his murder on the Red river led to the French expedition to Tonquin and the establishment of the French colonies in Indo-China.

AFTER GRIPPE.

Or Any Severe Sickness Druggist Robert R. Bellamy, Advises Wilmington People to Take Vinol.

Mrs. S. C. Berry, of Middleton, Conn. writes: "The grippe left me in a very weakened condition, no appetite, thin, nervous, no vitality and a bad cough. I had hemorrhages, and nothing seemed to help me. I read of what your cod liver oil preparation, Vinol, had done for others and decided to try it. I found that it soon gave me a hearty appetite; my cough disappeared; my health and strength returned until I felt like a new creature. I consider Vinol a wonderful medicine, as it makes strength and vitality so fast."

Our local druggist, Mr. Robert R. Bellamy, says, "We have never sold in our store a more valuable strength-creator and health restorer for the convalescent than Vinol. This is because Vinol contains in a concentrated form all of the vital principles of cod liver oil, but without a drop of oil to upset the stomach and retard its work.

Vinol tones up the digestive organs and renews the strength of every organ of the body.

We ask every person in Wilmington who has been ill to try Vinol on our guarantee to build them up and make them well and strong. We return money if it fails." Robert R. Bellamy, Druggist.

TWINKLINGS.

—Mrs. E. Z. Munny—My poor man, you must have had many severe trials. Peripatetic Pete—Yessum, I have. But I generally gits off light on account o' me innercent face.—Cleveland Leader.

—Mrs. Highthought—Do you not think in every nature there is a sealed room, a holy of holies, to which the world is not admitted? Mrs. Plainthought—Yes, I know; my cook won't allow me in the kitchen.—Harper's Bazaar.

—Tess—So he jilted her, eh? That must have made her feel cheap. Jess—Not as cheap as he might wish. She computes the damage to her heart at $25,000.—Philadelphia Press.

—Bertie (about to propose)—Miss Rollins—Maud—there has been something trembling upon my lips for these last few weeks—er—Maud (mistaking his meaning)—Why not shave it off?—Scraps.

—"That politician takes great credit to himself for keeping his promises." "I don't see why he should," answered Senator Sorghum. "Anybody can keep a promise, but it sometimes requires an artist to break one."—Washington Star.

—"You must have money to be able to offer me so beautiful an engagement ring." "Must have had money, you mean."—Houston Post.

THE HAM TREE.

The most important musical attraction booked for early presentation at the Academy is Klaw & Erlanger's production of George V. Hobart's new musical vaudeville, The Ham Tree, of which McIntyre and Heath, the widely-known black-face comedians are the stars. This company opened at the New York Theater in New York, last August, and made a run of several months to the largest receipts in the history of this great playhouse. Then followed long engagements in Philadelphia, Pittsburg and Chicago, where the New York success was most emphatically repeated.

This piece is an elaboration of the famous sketch, The Georgia Minstrels, which McIntyre and Heath have been presenting on the vaudeville stage for many years. The manuscript of this skit was placed in the hands of Mr. Hobart, who extended it into a three-act vaudeville farce, into which is interpolated a large number of very attractive musical features and specialties. This vehicle has proved a rare opportunity for the exposition of old-style negro humor, in which McIntyre and Heath have been conspicuous for the past thirty years. It finds room upon the stage of to-day because of its comparative worth in contrast to the prevalent style of hodge-podge entertainment without purpose and without aim.

Klaw & Erlanger have surrounded these comedians with an excellent company of one hundred people, which includes a long list of well-known players and the prettiest and most attractive chorus seen on the stage in several years. The chorus comprises sixty young women, not one of whom is over twenty-two years of age, and twenty young men, who excel as dancers and as singers. The leading principals of the company are Jobyna Howland, Carolyn Gordon, Belle Gold, Forrest Huff, David Torrence and Alfred Fisher. Frederick V. Bowers, the popular song tenor and music writer, and W. G. Fields, the comic juggler, are also conspicuous in the cast, through their excellent playing and most unique specialties.

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At The Theatre.

Something new and decidedly quaint in the form of amusement is promised theatre-goers in the appearance of "the original, the only," Mrs. Kittie Baldwin, the world famous "White Mahatma" and her unique company to-morrow night and the balance of the week. The engagement is heralded as the novelty event of the season and such adjectives as "amazing, startling, bewildering, weird, perplexing, mysterious, unfathomable, astonishing, laughable and quaint" are used in describing one of the productions by the company. It is said to be the only entertainment of its kind in the world and now in its fifth successful season. It is claimed for Mrs. Baldwin that she has appeared before more foreign sovereigns and local notables than all other performers put together. She has appeared in every English-speaking country on the globe and advance notices give it to the public that she is now on her farewell tour of the world. Mrs. Baldwin wishes it distinctly understood that neither Professor Keene nor herself possess any occult or supernatural power. The

MRS. KITTIE BALDWIN.

The Oriental Rosicrucian Somnomist and Modern Witch of Endor.

results produced especially in the "somnomancy" and "materialization" are weird and bewildering, but the forces and means employed, although at present not thoroughly understood by the mass of people, are perfectly natural and may in some future day be utilized by scientific workers. The sale of seats is now on at Plummer's. There are only a few seats at a dollar.

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COMING OF JAMES O'NEILL.

James O'Neill has played the part of Edmund Dantes, in "Monte Cristo," almost 5,000 times from New York to San Francisco and back again. It is a world's record. During that period he has achieved a reputation that is as enviable as it is well deserved. Time and again Mr. O'Neill has desired to throw the mantle of the Count of Monte Cristo from his shoulders, but each time the public has insisted that he put it on again. The playgoers recognize the fact that there is no other romantic actor in America today whom they wish to see impersonate this character.

The story of this masterpiece of the elder Dumas is well known in every city and family where the gems of literature are studied and enjoyed. The story of the simple sailor lad thrown into prison in order to further the selfish ambition of an unscrupulous politician; his remarkable escape from the Chateau d'If by the aid of Monte Cristo; his meeting with his persecutors after an interval of eighteen years at the inn of the Pont du Gard; his brilliant appearance as the Count de Monte Cristo at the Hotel de Morcerf; the duel with Danglers in the forest of Fontainebleau and his final restoration to his rights, and the affectionate meeting with his son; all these are scenes that no theatre-goer ever beheld without willingly submitting to the intensely dramatic effects.

The production which will be seen at the Academy on Tuesday night week is the most elaborate that Mr. O'Neill has yet given "Monte Cristo," and his supporting company is said to be in every equal to his own superlative reputation.

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A LYCEUM NUMBER.

At the Boys' Brigade armory tomorrow night will be seen the Giles-Blake Concert Company, which was

PROF. KEENE.

Hypnotist and Magician, and a Pupil of the Yogi at Stinagar.

originally booked for the lyceum course at the Academy of Music, but was transferred to the armory. The leading artists with the company are Christine L. Giles, soprano soloist, and Estelle B. Blake, harpist and pianist.

Mrs. Blake has been for several season on the lyceum platform as a pianist and harpist, has won for herself a splendid reputation, and we cheerfully recommend her to the committees. She has a graceful, charming stage presence, an ease of manner and quiet self-poise that inspires confidence in her audience even before she touches the chords with which she evokes sweet music.

Miss Christine Giles is the possessor of a lyric soprano voice of unusual sweetness and sympathy and a most attractive personality. It is seldom that in a voice of such charming freshness and brilliancy there is evidence of the careful training and artistic finish that characterizes Miss Giles' work. In addition to her popularity as a singer, Miss Giles is a violinist of marked ability, and a most unique feature of her performance is the playing of her own violin obligato while she sings. In this peculiar and difficult achievement Miss Giles is without an equal.

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The Two Vanrevels

By BOOTH TARKINGTON,

Author of "The Gentleman From Indiana" and "Monsieur Beaucaire"

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CHAPTER VI.

IT was an investigating negro child of tender years who, possessed of a petty sense of cause and effect, brought an illuminative simplicity to bear upon the problem of the force pump, and a multitudinous agitation greeted his discovery that the engineers had forgotten to connect their pipes with the river.

This naive omission was fatal to the second warehouse. The wall burst into flame below Crailey Gray, who clung to the top of the ladder, choking, stifled and dizzily fighting the sparks that covered him, yet still clutching the nozzle of the hose line they had passed to him. When the stream at last leaped forth, making the nozzle fight in his grasp, he sent it straight up into the air and let the cataract fall back upon himself and upon the two men beneath him on the ladder.

There came a moment of blessed relief, and he looked out over the broad rosy blur of faces in the street, where no one wondered more than he how the water was to reach the roof. Suddenly he started, wiped his eyes with his wet sleeve and peered intently down from under the shading arm. His roving glance crossed the smoke and flame to rest upon a tall, white figure that stood full length above the heads of the people upon a pedestal wrought with the grotesque images of boys; a girl's figure, still as noon, enrapt, like the statue of some young goddess for whom were made these sacrificial pyres. Mr. Gray recognized his opportunity.

A blackened and unrecognizable face peered down from the eaves, and the voice belonging to it said angrily:

"Why didn't they send up that line before they put the water through it?"

"Never mind, Tom," answered Crailey cheerfully. "I'll bring it up."

"You can't. I'll come down for it. Don't be every kind of a fool!"

"You want a monopoly, do you?" And Crailey, calling to Tappingham Marsh, next below him, to come higher, left the writhing nozzle in the latter's possession, swung himself out upon the grappling ladder, imitating the chief's gymnastics, and immediately, one hand grasping the second rung, one knee crooked over the lowest, leaned head down and took the nozzle from Marsh. It was a heavy weight, and, though Marsh supported the line beneath it, the great stream hurtling forth made it a difficult thing to manage, for it wriggled, recoiled and struggled as if it had been alive. Crailey made three attempts to draw himself up, but the strain was too much for his grip, and on the third attempt his fingers melted from the rung, and he swung down fearfully, hanging by his knee, but still clinging to the nozzle.

"Give it up, Crailey. It isn't worth it," Vanrevel called from overhead, not daring the weight of both on the light grappling ladder.

But though Crailey cared no more for the saving of Robert Carewe's property than for a butterfly's wing in China, he could not give up now, any more than as a lad he could have forborne to turn somersaults when the prettiest little girl looked out of the schoolhouse window. He passed the nozzle to Tappingham, caught the second rung with his left hand, and, once more dangling head downward, seized the nozzle; then, with his knee hooked tight, as the gushing water described a huge semicircle upon the smoke and hot vapor, he made a mad lurch through the air, while women shrieked, but he landed upright, half sitting on the lowest rung. He climbed the grappling ladder swiftly, in spite of the weight and contortions of the unmanageable beast he carried with him. Tom leaned far down and took it from him, and Crailey, passing the eaves, fell exhausted upon the roof. Just as he reached this temporary security a lady was borne, fainting, out of the acclaiming crowd. Fanchon was there.

Word had been passed to the gentlemen of the engine company to shut off the water in order to allow the line to be carried up the ladder, and they received the command at the moment Tom lifted the nozzle, so that the stream dried up in his hands. This was the last straw, and the blackened, singed and scarred chief, setting the trumpet to his lips, gave himself entirely to wrath.

It struck Crailey, even as he lay coughing and weeping with smoke, that there was something splendid and large in the other's rage. Vanrevel was ordinarily so steady and cool that this was worth seeing, this berserker gesture; worth hearing, this wonderful profanity, like Washington's one fit of cursing, and Crailey, knowing Tom, knew, too, that it had not come upon him because Carewe had a daughter into whose eyes Tom had looked; nor did he rage because he believed that Crailey's life and his were in the greater hazard for the lack of every drop of water that should have issued from the empty nozzle.

Their lungs were burdened with smoke, while the intolerable smarting of throat, eyes and nostrils was like the incision of a thousand needles in the membranes. Their clothes were luminous with glowing circles where the sparks were eating. The blaze widened on the wall beneath them, and Marsh was shouting hoarsely that he could no longer hold his position on the ladder, yet Crailey knew that none of this was in Tom's mind as he stood, scorched, blistered and haggard, on the edge of the roof, shaking his fist at the world. It was because his chance of saving the property of a man he despised was being endangered.

Crailey stretched forth a hand and touched his friend's knee. "Your side of the conversation is a trifle loud, Tom," he said. "Miss Carewe is down there across the street on a pile of boxes."

Tom stopped in the middle of a word, for which he may have received but half a black stroke from the recording angel. He wheeled toward the street and, shielding his inflamed eyes with his hand, gazed downward in a stricken silence. From that moment Mr. Vanrevel's instructions to his followers were of a decorum at which not the meekest Sunday school scholar dare have cavilled.

The three men now on the long ladder—Marsh, Eugene Madrillon and Will Cummings—found their position untenable, for the flames, reaching all along the wall, were licking at the ladder itself between Marsh and Eugene. "I can't stand this any longer," gasped Tappingham, "but I can't leave those two up there either."

"Not alone," shouted Cummings from beneath Madrillon. "Let's go up."

Thus it happened that when the water came again and Vanrevel let it fall in a grateful cascade upon Crailey and himself three manly voices were heard singing as three men toiled through the billows of rosy gray below the beleaguered pair:

"Oh, the noble Duke of York,
He had ten thousand men;
He marched them up the side of a house
And marched them down again!"

A head appeared above the eaves, and Marsh, then Eugene, then Cummings, came crawling over the cornice in turn to join their comrades. They were a gallant band, those young gentlemen of Rouen, and they came with the ironical song on their lips and, looking at one another, ragged and scarified, burst into hoarse but indomitable laughter.

Two others made an attempt to follow and would not be restrained. It was noticed that parts of the lower ladder had been charring, and the ladder men were preparing to remove it to a less dangerous point when old General Trumble and young Jefferson Bareaud made a rush to mount it and were well upon their upward way before the ladder, weakened at the middle, sagged, splintered and broke, Trumble and Bareaud falling with it. And there was the grappling ladder dangling forty feet above the ground, and there were the five upon the roof.

The department had no other ladder of more than half the length of the shattered one. Not only the department, but every soul in Rouen, knew that, and there rose the thick, low sigh of a multitude, a sound frightful to hear. It became a groan, then swelled into a deep cry of alarm and lamentation.

And now almost simultaneously the west wall of the building and the south wall and all the southwestern portions of the roof covered themselves with voluminous mantles of flame, which increased so hugely and with such savage rapidity that the one stream on the roof was seen to be but a ridiculous and useless opposition.

Everybody began to shout advice to his neighbor, and nobody listened even to himself. The firemen were in as great a turmoil as was the crowd, while women covered their eyes. Young Frank Chenoweth was sobbing curses upon the bruised and shaking Trumble and Jefferson Bareaud, who could only stand remorseful, impotently groaning, and made no answer.

The walls of the southernmost warehouse followed the roof, crashing in one after the other, a sacrifice pyre with its purpose consummated, and in the seeth and flare of its passing Tom Vanrevel again shaded his eyes with his hand and looked down across the upturned faces. The pedestal with the grotesque carvings was still there, but the crowning figure had disappeared—the young goddess was gone. For she, of all that throng, had an idea in her head, and, after screaming it to every man within reach, only to discover the impossibility of making herself understood in that babel, she was struggling to make her way toward the second warehouse, through the swaying jam of people. It was a difficult task, as the farther in she managed to go the denser became the press and the more tightly she found the people wedged, until she received involuntary aid from the firemen. In turning their second stream to play ineffectually upon the lower strata of flame they accidentally deflected it toward the crowd, who separated wildly, leaving a big gap, of which Miss Bett took instant advantage. She darted across, and the next moment, unnoticed, had entered the building through the door which Crailey Gray had opened.

The five young men on the roof were well aware that there was little to do but to wait, and soon they would see which was to win, they or the fire, so they shifted their line of hose to the eastern front of the building, out of harm's way for a time at least, and held the muzzle steady, watching its work. And in truth it was not long before they understood which would conquer. The southern and western portions of the building had flung out great flames that fluttered and flared on the breeze like titanic flags, and steadily, slowly at first, then faster as the seconds flew, the five were driven backward, up the low slope of the roof toward the gable ridge. Tom Vanrevel held the first joint of the nozzle, and he retreated with a sulky face, lifting his foot grudgingly at each step. They were all silent now, and no one spoke until Will Cummings faltered:

"Surely they'll get a rope up to us some way?"

Will knew as well as did the others that there was no way, but his speech struck the sullen heart of the chief with remorse. He turned. "I hope you'll all forgive me for getting you up here."

A sound, half sob, half giggle, came from the parched lips of Eugene Madrillon as he patted Tom on the shoulder without speaking, and Crailey nodded quietly, then left the group and went to the eastern edge of the roof and looked out upon the crowd. Cummings dropped the line and sat down, burying his hot face in his arms, for they all saw that Vanrevel thought "it was no use," but a question of a few minutes, and they would retreat across the gable and either jump or go down with the roof.

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Since the world began idle and industrious philosophers have speculated much upon the thoughts of men about to die, yet it cannot be too ingenuous to believe that such thoughts vary as the men, their characters and conditions of life vary. Nevertheless, pursuant with the traditions of minstrelsy and romance, it is conceivable that young unmarried men called upon to face desperate situations might, at the crucial moment, rush to a common experience of summoning the vision, each of his heart's desire, and to meet, each his doom, with her name upon his lips.

An extraordinary thing occurred in the present instance, for, by means of some fragmentary remarks let fall at the time and afterward recalled, such as Tappingham Marsh's gasping, "At least it will be on her father's roof!" and from other things later overheard, an inevitable deduction has been reached that four of the five gentlemen in the perilous case herein described were occupied with the vision of the same person, to wit, Miss Elizabeth Carewe, "the last, the prettiest, to come to town!"

Crailey Gray, alone, spoke not at all, but why did he strain and strain his eyes toward that empty pedestal with the grotesque carvings? Did he seek Fanchon there, or was Miss Carewe the last sweet apparition in the fancies of all five of the unhappy young men?

The coincidence of the actual appearance of the lady among them therefore seemed the more miraculous when, wan and hopeless, staggering desperately backward to the gable ridge, they heard a clear contralto voice behind them:

"Hadn't you better all come down now?" it said. "The stairway will be on fire before long."

Only one thing could have been more shockingly unexpected to the five than that there should be a sixth person on the roof, and this was that the sixth person should be Miss Betty Carewe.

They turned, aghast, agape, chopfallen with astonishment, stunned and incredulous.

She stood just behind the gable ridge, smiling amiably, a most incon-

"Hadn't you better all come down now?"

gruous little pink fan in her hand, the smoke wreaths partly obscuring her and curling between the five and her white dress, like mists floating across the new moon.

Was it but a kindly phantasm of the brain? Was it the incarnation of the last vision of the lost volunteers? Was it a Valkyrie assuming that lovely likeness to perch upon this eyrie, waiting to bear their heroic souls to Valhalla, or was it Miss Betty Carewe?

To the chief she spoke—all of them agreed to that afterward—but it was Crailey who answered, while Tom could only stare and stand wagging his head at the lovely phantom like a mandarin on a shelf.

"My mother in heaven!" gasped Crailey. "How did you come up here?"

"There's a trap in the roof on the other side of the ridge," she said, and she began to fan herself with the pink fan. "A stairway runs all the way down—old Nelson showed me through these buildings yesterday—and that side isn't on fire yet. I'm so sorry I didn't think of it until a moment ago, because you could have brought the water up that way. But don't you think you'd better come down now?"

CHAPTER VII.

NOT savage Hun nor "barbarous Vandyke" nor demon Apache could wish to dwell upon the state of mind of the chief of the Rouen volunteer fire department; therefore let the curtain of mercy descend. Without a word he turned and dragged the nozzle to the eastern eaves, whence, after a warning gesture to those below, he dropped it to the ground, and, out of compassion, it should be little more than hinted that the gesture of warning was very slight.

When the rescued band reached the foot of the last flight of stairs they beheld the open doorway as a frame for a great press of intent and contorted faces, every eye still strained to watch the roof, none of the harrowed spectators comprehending the appearance of the girl's figure there, nor able to see whither she had led the five young men, until Tappingham Marsh raised a shout as he leaped out of the door and danced upon the solid earth again.

Then, indeed, there was a mighty uproar. Cheer after cheer ascended to the red vault of heaven. Women wept, men whooped and the people rushed for the heroes with wide open, welcoming arms. Jefferson Bareaud and Frank Chenoweth and General Trumble dashed at Tom Vanrevel with incoherent cries of thanksgiving, shaking his hands and beating him hysterically upon the back. He greeted them with bitter laughter.

"Help get the water into the next warehouse. This one is beyond control, but we can save the other two. Take the lines in—through the door!" He brushed the rejoicing friends off abruptly, and went on in a queer, hollow voice: "There are stairs—and I'm so sorry I didn't think of it until a moment ago, because you could have brought the water up that way!"

A remarkable case of desertion had occurred the previous instant under his eyes. As the party emerged from the warehouse into the street Tom heard Crailey say hurriedly to Miss Carewe: "Let me get you away—come quickly!" saw him suddenly seize her hand and, eluding the onrushing crowd, run with her round the corner of the building. And somehow, through what inspiration or through what knowledge of his partner's "temperament," heaven knows, the prophetic soul of the chief was unhappily assured that Crailey would offer himself as escort to her home and find acceptance. But why not? Was it Crailey who had publicly called his fellow man fool, idiot, imbecile, at the top of his lungs only to find himself the proven numskull of the universe! Tom stood for a moment staring after the vanishing pair, while over his face stole the strangest expression that ever man saw there; then, with meekly bowed shoulders, he turned again to his work.

At the corner of the warehouse Miss Carewe detached her hand from Crailey's, yet still followed him as he made a quick detour round the next building. A minute or two later they found themselves, undetected, upon Main street in the rear of the crowd. There Crailey paused.

"Forgive me," he said breathlessly, "for taking your hand. I thought you would like to get away."

She regarded him gravely, so that he found it difficult to read her look, except that it was seriously questioning, but whether the interrogation was addressed to him or to herself he could not determine. After a silence she said:

"I don't know why I followed you. I believe it must have been because you didn't give me time to think."

This, of course, made him even quicker with her than before. "It's all over," he said briskly. "The first warehouse is gone, the second will go, but they'll save the others easily enough now that you have pointed out that the lines may be utilized otherwise than as adjuncts of performances on the high trapeze." They were standing by a picket fence, and he leaned against it, overcome by mirth in which she did not join. Her gravity reacted upon him at once, and his laughter was stopped short. "Will you not accept me as an escort to your home?" he said formally.

"I do not know," she returned simply, the sort of honest trouble in her glance that is seen only in very young eyes.

"What reason in the world?" he returned, with a crafty sharpness of astonishment.

She continued to gaze upon him thoughtfully, while he tried to look into her eyes, but was baffled because the radiant beams from the lady's orbs, as the elder Chenoweth might have said, rested somewhere dangerously near his chin, which worried him, for, though his chin made no retreat and was far from ill looking, it was nevertheless that feature which he most distrusted. "Won't you tell me why not?" he repeated uneasily.

"Because," she answered at last, speaking hesitatingly—"because it isn't so easy a matter for me as you seem to think. You have not been introduced to me, and I know you never will be, and that what you told me was true."

"Which part of what I told you?" The question escaped from him instanter.

"That the others might come when they liked, but that you could not."

"Oh, yes, yes." His expression altered to a sincere dejection, his shoulders drooped and his voice indicated supreme annoyance. "I might have known some one would tell you. Who was it? Did they say why I"—

"On account of your quarrel with my father."

"My quarrel with your father!" he exclaimed, and his face lit with an elated surprise. His shoulders straightened. He took a step nearer her and asked eagerly, "Who told you that?"

"My father himself. He spoke of a Mr. Vanrevel whom he disliked and whom I must not meet, and, remembering what you had said, of course I knew that you were he."

"Oh!" Crailey's lips began to form a smile of such appealing and inimitable sweetness that Voltaire would have trusted him, a smile altogether rose leaves. "Then I lose you," he said, "for my only chance to know you was in keeping it hidden from you. And now you understand."

"No," she answered gravely, "I don't understand. That is what troubles me. If I did and believed you had the right of the difference I could believe it no sin that you should speak to me, should take me home now. I think it is wrong not to act from your own understanding of things."

The young man set his expression as one indomitably fixed upon the course of honor, cost what it might, and in the very action his lurking pleasure in doing it hopped out in the flicker of a twinkle in his eyes and as instantly sought cover again—the flea in the rose jar.

"Then you must ask some other," he said firmly. "A disinterested person should tell you. The difference was political in the beginning, but became personal afterward, and it is now a quarrel which can never be patched up, though, for my part, I wish that it could be. I can say no more, because a party to it should not speak."

She met his level look squarely at last, and no man ever had a more truthful pair of eyes than Crailey Gray, for it was his great accomplishment that he could adjust his emotion, his reason and something that might be called his faith to fit any situation in any character.

"You may take me home," she answered. "I may be wrong and even disloyal, but I do not feel it so now. You did a very brave thing tonight to save him from loss, and I think that what you have said was just what you should have said."

So they went down the street, the hubbub and confusion of the fire growing more and more indistinct behind them. They walked slowly, and for a time neither spoke, yet the silence was of a kind which the adept rejoiced to have produced thus soon—their second meeting. He waited until they passed into the shadows of the deserted Carewe street before he spoke. There he stopped abruptly, at which she turned, astonished.

"Now that you have saved my life," he said in a low, tremulous tone, "what are you going to do with it?"

Her eyes opened almost as widely as they had at her first sight of him in her garden. There was a long pause before she replied, and when she did it was to his considerable surprise.

"I have never seen a play except the funny little ones we acted at the convent," she said. "But isn't that the way they speak on the stage?"

Crailey realized that his judgment of the silence had been mistaken, and yet it was with a thrill of delight that he recognized her clear reading of him. He had been too florid again.

"Let us go." His voice was soft with restrained forgiveness. "You mocked me once before."

"Mocked you?" she repeated as they went on.

"Mocked me," he said firmly. "Mocked me for seeming theatrical, and yet you have learned that what I said was true, as you will again."

She mused upon this, then, as in whimsical indulgence to an importunate child:

"Well, tell me what you mean when you say I saved your life."

"You came alone," he began hastily, "to stand upon that burning roof"—

"Whence all but him had fled!" Her laughter rang out, interrupting him. "My room was on the fourth floor at St. Mary's, and I didn't mind climbing three flights this evening."

Crailey's good nature was always perfect. "You mock me, and you mock me!" he cried, and made her laughter but part of a gay duet. "I know I have gone too fast, have said things I should have waited to say, but, ah, remember the small chance I have against the others who can see you when they like. Don't flout me because I try to make the most of a rare, stolen moment with you."

"Do!" she exclaimed, grave upon the instant. "Do make the most of it! I have nothing but inexperience. Make the most by treating me seriously, won't you? I know you can, and I—I"— She faltered to a full stop. She was earnest and quiet, and there had been something in her tone, too, as very often there was, that showed how young she was. "Oh," she began again, turning to him impulsively, "I have thought about you since that evening in the garden, and I have wished I could know you. I can't be quite clear how it happened, but even those few minutes left a number of strong impressions about you. And the strongest was that you were one with whom I could talk of a great many things, if you would only be real with me. I believe, though I'm not sure why I do, that it is very difficult for you to be real. Perhaps because you are so different at different times that you aren't sure yourself which the real you is. But the person that you are beginning to be for my benefit must be the most trifling of all your selves, lighter and easier to put on than the little mask you carried the other night. If there were nothing better underneath the mask, I might play too."

"Did you learn this at the convent?" gasped Crailey.

"There was a world there in miniature," she answered, speaking very quickly. "I think all people are made of the same materials, only in such different proportions. I think a little world might hold as much as the largest, if you thought it all out hard enough, and your experience might be just as broad and deep in a small corner of the earth as anywhere else, but I don't know! I want to understand—I want to understand everything! I read books, and there are people, but no one who tells me what I want—I"—

"Stop!" He lifted his hand. A singular exaltation rose in him, together with the reckless impulse to speak from the mood her vehement confidence had inspired. He gave way to it.

"I know, I know," he said huskily. "I understand all you mean, all you feel, all you wish. It is all echoing here and here and here!" He touched his breast, his eyes and his forehead with the fingers of his long and slender hand. "We sigh and strain our eyes and stretch out our arms in the dark, groping always for the strange blessing that is just beyond our grasp, seeking for the precious unknown that lies just over the horizon! It's what they meant by the pot of gold where the rainbow ends—only, it may be there, after all!"

They stopped unconsciously and remained standing at the lower end of the Carewe hedge. The western glow had faded, and she was gazing at him through the darkness, leaning forward, never dreaming that her tight grasp had broken the sticks of the little pink fan.

"Yes," she whispered eagerly. "You are right; you understand!"

He went on, the words coming faster and faster: "We are haunted, you and I, by the wish to know all things, and by the question that lies under every thought we have, the agonizing Whither? Isn't it like that? It is really death that makes us think."

She shivered slightly, but her steadfast eyes did not shift from his. He threw back his head, and his face, upliftted to the jeweled sky of the moonless night, was beatific in its peacefulness as he continued in an altered tone, gentle and low:

"I think all questions are answered there. The stars tell it all. When you look at them you know. Do you see the constellations swinging above us, such unimaginable vastnesses, not roving or crashing through the illimitable at haphazard, but moving in more excellent measure and to a finer rhythm than the most delicate clockwork man ever made? Ah, when you wonder look above you—look above you in the night, I say," he cried, his hand upraised like his transfigured face. "Look above you and you will never fear that a sparrow's fall could go unmarked."

It was not to the stars that she looked, but to the orator, as long as he held that pose, which lasted until a hard ridden horse came galloping down the street. As it dashed by, though the

"It is my father."

rider looked neither to right nor left, Miss Betty unconsciously made a feverish clutch at her companion's sleeve, drawing him closer to the hedge.

"It is my father," she said hurriedly in a low voice. "He must not see you. You must never come here. Perhaps"—She paused, then quickly whispered: "You have been very kind to me. Good night."

He did not speak again, but, taking a step backward, smiled faintly, bent his head in humble acquiescence and made a slight gesture of his hand for her to leave him. She waved him an uncertain farewell and ran into the garden, both palms against her burning cheeks.

(CONTINUED NEXT SUNDAY.)

ITALIAN AND NEGRO LABOR.

In an article based upon a paper read at the recent meeting of the American Economic Association by Mr. Alfred H. Stone, of Mississippi, showing the relative merits of the Italian and the negro as laborers on cotton plantations, the Houston Post expresses the opinion that Italian labor will gradually take the place of negro labor in the South. In its article the Post points out that Italian labor is more reliable and intelligent. In its opinion corporations will go into the business of raising cotton on a large scale, and they will naturally seek the labor that promises the best returns. In some sections of Arkansas where Italians are farming for themselves on shares, and where there are negroes who also are farming on that plan, the Italians get twice as much cotton from an acre as the negroes get, simply because of better tillage and closer attention to the needs of the crop.

It may be the negro will begin to realize after awhile that if he is to hold his place as a laborer in any part of the South he will have to be industrious, reliable and intelligent. He has been driven out of all of the most lucrative avenues of employment in the North and there is a prospect that he will lose the hold he has upon the labor field in the South. It is certain that his shiftlessness will not be endured if his place can be filled by a more efficient laborer.—Savannah Morning News.

BREVITIES

NOTES OF NOTABLES.

John Redmond is now an absentee landlord, a relative having left him an estate in Ireland.

On the occasion of the king's coronation Sir Wilfrid Laurier will, it is said, be raised to the peerage as Earl of Athabasca.

Josiah Lynn, formerly a rich man and friend of Jay Gould, was taken from Washington, N. J., to the poorhouse the other day.

Count Tornielli, the Italian embassador in France, has been made honorary president of the Parisian branch of the Dante society.

Honorary grand chief of the Huron Indians is the latest title which has been conferred on the Earl of Minto, governor general of Canada.

John Morley, who is writing a life of Mr. Gladstone, has just discovered among the late premier's effects a diary covering most of the interesting period of his career.

President Roosevelt has found time to prepare the manuscript for a new book on the deer of North America. The volume is one of a series and will be issued in the early summer.

Patrick Holland of Winchester, Mass., who has a record of fifty-two years' railway service on New England roads and is still hale and vigorous, recently celebrated his eighty-fourth birthday.

Sir Richard Temple, who died in London recently, was the greatest authority of his time on Indian affairs. He wrote many books relating to India and was decorated with the principal Indian orders.

By the terms of the will of Edward B. Judson, president of the First National bank of Syracuse, every employee of the bank down to the messenger received a bequest varying from $5,000 to $100.

Leo XIII. has been lucky in the bequests he received. They have amounted so far to $6,000,000, of which $600,000 came in last year alone. Pope Pius IX. in his longer pontificate received from this source only $400,000.

Henry Leitner, aged ninety, who lives on the state border between Fairfield and Richland, N. C., has a bale of cotton ginned before the rebellion. He has refused rich offers for it, as he prefers to keep it as a memento of old days.

FRUITS AND FLOWERS.

Plant a new orchard and have it coming on before the old one dies.

It takes from six to eight years for a newly planted orchard to come into bearing.

Better a stock tree with rather a low head. If it has plenty of side shoots, all the better.

The early sown zinnias will make the earliest blooming plants, and they should be set in the open ground as soon as possible.

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By Rail and Water

Although the anti-pass agreement entered into by the big Eastern railroads is less than one month old, there are already reports of the violation of the compact, and predictions are made that the agreement cannot live.

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Twenty employes of the Louisville and Nashville have been discharged for violating the rule prohibiting them from frequenting saloons. They allowed a supposed "camera fiend" to take snap shots of them in the saloons. He was a spotter.

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The Seaboard Air Line is making preparations to lay off an up-to-date picnic ground near Atlanta. The necessary buildings will be erected and the site selected will possess every natural advantage. The Seaboard has already contracted for several large picnics for the coming summer.

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The Seaboard Air Line has just issued a handsome booklet on Cuba. The book is a work of art and the cover is especially artistic. There is a comprehensive, well-illustrated article on the island, and in the center of the book is a handsome picture of Havana harbor and city.

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A record breaking bridge is being built at Quebec. It will have a single span of 1,800 feet, no other bridge in the world being comparable with it in this respect. The river span of the Brooklyn bridge is 1,595 feet. Excepting suspension bridges, the longest span bridge yet completed is the Forth bridge, with two spans of 1,710 feet each.

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The Conway (S. C.) Field announces the completion of the Conway, Coast and Western extension to Marion as far as Cool Springs, in Horry county, a distance of 15 miles. Trains are now running daily between Conway and Cool Springs, opening up a fine timber and turpentine field. Mr. James H. Chadbourn of Wilmington, is the original projector of this line which will be continued to Marion, S. C., as fast as

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The Southern Passenger Association will hold a meeting at Tampa in the Tampa Bay Hotel, February 7th. Passenger agents of the roads from all over the southwest will attend the meeting, which is expected to be one of the most pleasant as well as profitable meetings held in a number of years. The fact that the meeting will be held in Florida during the Winter will tend to increase the attendance and make the meeting all the more profitable.

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Railroading at the rate of forty-five miles an hour in an open railroad motor car was a feat accomplished Sunday on the Seaboard Air Line Railway between Fernandina and Jacksonville by M. C. Hutto, inventor of the machine. This railroad motor car was built in Jacksonville by Mr. Hutto for Capt. William LeFils, who is the wood contractor for the Seaboard. The car has made two successful trips to Tampa and back and has never met with a mishap.

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In Jacksonville, Fla., the past week, in the U. S. Court, Frank Mehlig, the ticket broker, was adjudged in contempt for the alleged violation of the order of the court last March, enjoining and restraining the scalpers in Florida from dealing in certain tickets for passage over the lines of the complainants, the Atlantic Coast Line and the Southern. Mehlig has been allowed $500 bond until the further orders of the court, when punishment will be imposed in connection with other cases yet to be heard.

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No announcement made in Augusta in recent years has attracted more universal attention or been the occasion of more widespread congratulation, than the statement that Mr. James U. Jackson had completed and set in operation his plans for the immediate extension of the Augusta-Aiken trolley line to Columbia, and the conversion of the whole route, after the portion from Augusta to Aiken had been reconstructed into both a steam and electric line, thereby permitting the Seaboard Air Line to enter Augusta.

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The Seaboard Air Line is making extensive improvements to its terminal facilities in Florida. Two mammoth warehouses, 315 and 515 feet in length, respectively, will be built in Jacksonville and the yards there generally improved. The proposed improvements involve the expenditure of several hundred thousand dollars. Work will begin within the next 30 days. It is also announced that the Seaboard is making arrangements to put in a big train yard at Tampa and to erect a new freight building 450 feet long and a new passenger station to be constructed of white pressed brick with a Spanish style roof. The improvements in Tampa will cost about $75,000.

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Pontoons are to be used in an effort to save the wreck of the Clyde Liner Cherokee, on the New Jersey shore. Chains are to be swung under her and a set of powerful pumps will be put on deck to make a test as to how seriously the bottom plates are broken. If the pumps can gain headway, there is some prospect of saving something of the craft, which is worth, afloat $500,000. Otherwise, hope will be given up. The wrecking tugs are a mile off the beach, with lighters. They have not gone inshore because of the low water. The sea is like a lake, with a clear sky, and the steamship is in plain sight from the shore.—New York Mail, 19th.

It is estimated that there are a total of 5,000 men at work on the extension of the Florida East Coast Railway from Miami to Key West, Fla.

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The Railroad Commission of Georgia has passed some important orders reducing the local freight rates on the Southern Railway, the Central of Georgia and the Atlantic Coast Line, adopting the Southern classification, effective on the 10th of January, as the classification of the commission, and prohibiting the change of any established rate without the assent of the commission first being given. These orders were passed as the result of the recent hearings in the famous Class A cases, in which it was asked in petitions that the Southern, the Central of Georgia and the Seaboard Air Line be changed from Class C to Class A, which, which would have taken off the entire 25 per cent, which they are allowed to charge in addition to the standard tariff rates. It was also asked that the Atlantic Coast Line be changed from Class B to Class A. The reduction is from 15 to 25 per cent.

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Without any idea of immediate returns, the Illinois Central will in twelve days expend $12,000 for a special train of six cars, to be run over 2,000 miles of the system in Illinois to stimulate interest in better corn crops—quantity and quality. The train will stop at 126 cities, towns, villages and crossroads stations. Each stop will be of forty minutes duration, during which there will be a lecture on seed and soil. The tour will be in charge of Prof. Hopkins, of the University of Illinois, and he will be assisted by professors from agricultural schools. Representatives of the Illinois Central will accompany the train and will tell of the results in the way of increased shipments that have come from improved methods of farming. The professors, about eight in number, as well as the railroad representatives and members of the press will eat and sleep on the train. The train will leave Chicago early Tuesday morning, February 20th, and will be in commission until Saturday evening, March 3d. The day lectures will be in the cars, and evenings halls, where available, will be used.

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A photographer who has been down on Mr. Flagler's Key West extension of the Florida East Coast Railway, taking views of that mammoth construction, talks interestingly of that great undertaking, the immensity of which has staggered the railway world. He says that few people realize what progress is really being made with the construction of the road, nor can they appreciate of what magnitude the undertaking is. When you know that of the entire distance from Miami to Key West only sixty-five miles of the road will be on the keys, and that for the rest of the distance the rails will be laid thirty-one feet above salt water, you can begin to grasp an idea of the colossal undertaking and why it is considered all over the country such a great engineering feat.

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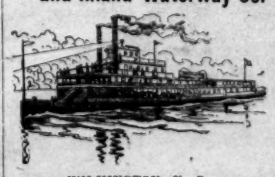

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—In Buncombe county during January 28 marriage licenses were issued and five divorce suits were docketed.

—At an enthusiastic meeting of citizens at Reidsville on Friday it was decided to build an electric and dummy railway from Reidsville into Caswell county.

—Clarkton Express: Indications are that there will be a lively time in the race for the Congressional nomination in this the Sixth District. There are six counties in the district, and it's not at all improbable that there will be that many candidates.

—Lumberton Argus: Robeson county has a cotton warehouse, and a substantial one it is, in Lumberton. It is approved by the county Cottton Growers' Association. Other counties should follow the example of those communities that have ostablished the storage houses.

—Clarkton Express: All four of the Clarkton rural free delivery carriers had to cross water that wet their buggy seats two or three days last week. We need more bridges. The people would be willing to pay more taxes if necessary for the sake of having more bridges and better roads.

—The contract for the new telephone building of the Asheville Telephine & Telegraph Co., has been let to the Central Carolina Construction Co., of Greensboro. The successful bid was $13,000. The new home of the telephone company will be a handsome and modern structure, 30 by 70 feet in dimensions, two stories high with basement, of red brick with granite trimmings and of handsome architectual design.

Gastonia Gazette: A North Carolina boy has just been appointed private secretary to Governor Joseph K. Toole, of Montana. His name is Will Aiken. He was born a poor boy near Hickory, and has worked his way along in the world. A few year ago he was telegraph editor of the Asheville Citizen, was later on the Raleigh Post, from which paper he went about six years ago to Montana. When appointed by Governor Toole, he was on the Helena Daily.

—Gastonia Gazette: A charter has been granted the Gastonia Insurance and Realty Company to have a paid in capital stock of $10,000. The incorporators are W. T. Rankin, C. B. Armstrong, R. P. Rankin, Frost Torrence, of Gastonia and S. M. Robinson of Lowell. The stockholders include a number of Gastonia's leading business men. The Company will begin business about February 15th and will deal in real estate and insurance. It has a cash capital of $10,000, with privilege to increase to $100,000.

—About midnight Thursday night, the boarding house of the Misses Chunn, in Salisbury was aroused by the shot of a pistol. A party of young men had just retired, when a negro was seen on the roof trying to make an entrance into the room of a Miss Harvey of Statesville, one of the guests. B. C. Ellison, a traveling man from Alabama, drew his gun and fired through the window, but the man jumped off and made his escape. The Misses Chunn have suspicion as to the negro and his purpose and officers will keep a sharp lookout for him. Mr. Ellison shot through the window, but says he did not try to hit the man, who appeared to be unarmed.

—In the Superior Court at Durham on Thursday, Judge Ferguson presiding a most unusual case was settled. This was to the title to a lot of land worth about $1,000. The case was this: In 1894 Mr. McD. Tilley and Miss Athalia Mangum were united in marriage. The husband thought that she owned certain property but, after the marriage, he found that she had sold it to her brothers and sisters for $5 and love and affection. He then brought suit to recover the property and the court has held that he has a right to the property and has so ordered. In holding this it was decided that, to have disposed of the property without letting her future husband know of the deal, was a fraud on the marriage contract.

—Washington is soon to have a vegetable and fruit canning factory. Mr. K. MacKensie, representing William Penn Davis, of Philadelphia, a large packing firm of that city, is there in the interest of the new concern. Quite a large number of Washington's leading business men and farmers met with Mr. MacKenzie in the Chamber of Commerce Thursday evening for the purpose of discussing plans for the proposed establishment. The capital stock is to be $15,000, divided into shares of $100 each. The factory will employ between 150 and 200 hands. Four thousand dollars has already been subscribed. Mr. McKenzie will next take the matter up with the farmers at the court house next Saturday and, as soon as the desired amount of stock has been taken, work will begin on the factory.

—Fayetteville correspondence, Feb. 2nd: E. B. Weed's death is still a mystery. Wife number two came here when he first died, Weed said she was his cousin. They went to Richmond four years ago, spent the day, returned, registered as husband and wife. Number one was then staying at Asheville and received remittances from him. Latest rumor says that Weed is not dead but that he has gone to Europe. He was a successful inventor and was negotiating patent rights with some Englishmen just before his death; they owning big timber interests in South America. Weed's business here was extracting the products of pine lightwood; cesuring spiritine, alcohol, creosote, and other things. The alleged original widow is preparing to enter suit for the possession of the estate. A life insurance policy of a thousand dollars is payable to Mrs. Ella Weed, wife number two. Mrs. Shoemaker, the woman from Pinehurst, who claims that Weed was to marry her on the fifteenth instant states that she is willing to leave, provided either widow will restore her saddle horse and pay a $600 note she holds for money loaned Weed. Widow number two, says she found another interested woman at her husband's death bed in New York. Number two is still prostrated. Numbers one and two have not yet met. Mrs. E. B. Weed, number two, says her husband died the Sunday before Christmas, and that the body was cremated.

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OF THE CONDITION OF

The Southern National Bank

WILMINGTON, N. C.

At Clos of Business January 26, 1906

RESOURCES

LOANS	$318,894 98
OVERDRAFTS	720 80
UNITED STATES BONDS AND PREMIUM	207,500 00
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	4,863 82
CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS	366,021 56
TOTAL	$897,801 25

LIABILITIES

CAPITAL	$200,000 00
SURPLUS	73,840 00
UNDIVIDED PROFITS, NET.	3,364 14
CIRCULATION	200,000 00
DEPOSITS	420,597 11
TOTAL	$897,801 25

*Began business September 18, 1905, with capital fully paid and a subscription of $100,000 00 to surplus, payable in monthly instalments. Gain in resources since Nov. 9th, $201,467.01.

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2 55 p m	Lv.	Philadelphia	Lv. 1 45 p m
5 10 p m	Lv.	Baltimore	Lv. 11 22 a m
7 25 p m	Lv.	Washington	Lv. 10 30 a m
11 00 p m	Lv.	Richmond	Lv. 6 15 a m
6 20 a m	Lv.	Raleigh	Lv. 1 10 a m
8 40 a m	Lv.	S'uth'n Pines	Lv. 11 06 p m
8 40 a m	Lv.	Hamlet	Lv. 10 15 p m
1 00 p m	Ar.	Wilmington	Lv. 8 00 p m

Between Wilmington, Norfolk and Portsmouth.

Read Down			Read Up
4 24 p m	Lv.	Norfolk	Ar. 8 20 a m
8 50 p m	Lv.	Portsmouth	Ar. 8 00 a m
1 35 a m	Lv.	Henderson	Lv. 3 03 a m
3 20 a m	Lv.	Raleigh	Lv. 1 30 a m
6 30 a m	Ar.	Hamlet	Lv. 10 30 a m
8 40 a m	Lv.	Hamlet	Ar. 7 35 p m
1 00 p m	Ar.	Wilmington	Lv. 3 00 p m

Between Wilmington, Atlanta and Birmingham.

Read Down			Read Up
2 10 p m	Lv.	Bimingham	Ar. 1 20 p m
7 40 p m	Ar.	Atlanta	Lv. 8 00 a m
9 00 p m	Lv.	Atlanta	Ar. 7 40 a m
11 22 p m	Lv.	Athens	Lv. 6 05 a m
2 00 a m	Lv.	Greenwood	Lv. 3 22 a m
4 06 a m	Lv.	Chester	Lv. 1 18 a m
7 30 a m	Ar.	Hamlet	Lv. 10 15 p m
8 40 a m	Lv.	Hamlet	Ar. 7 35 p m
1 00 p m	Ar.	Wilmington	Lv. 3 00 p m

Between Wilmington, Savannah, Montgomery, Jacksonville and Tampa.

Read Down			Read Up
8 30 a m	Lv.	Tampa	Ar. 6 35 p m
1 52 p m	Lv.	Tallahasse	Ar. 3 10 p m
5 24 p m	Ar.	Jacksonville	Lv. 10 00 a m
7 50 p m	Lv.	Jacksonville	Ar. 8 55 a m
12 10 a m	Lv.	Savannah	Lv. 4 50 a m
5 30 a m	Lv.	Columbia	Lv. 12 30 a m
8 25 a m	Lv.	Camden	Lv. 12 24 a m
8 40 a m	Ar.	Hamlet	Lv. 10 15 p m
8 40 a m	Lv.	Hamlet	Ar. 7 35 p m
1 00 p m	Ar.	Wilmington	Lv. 3 00 p m

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Read Down				Read Up
			Rutherf'd'n	
3 20 p	3 40 p	Lv.	Ar.	2 10 p
			Shelby	
4 35 p	4 50 p	Lv.	Lv.	12 47 p
			Lincolnt'n	
5 31 p	5 47 p	Lv.	Lv.	11 42 a
			Charlotte	
7 05 p	7 23 p	Ar.	Lv.	10 10 a
			Charlotte	
	5 01 a	Lv.	Ar.	10 45 p
			Monroe	
	5 45 a	Lv.	Lv.	9 56 p
			Hamlet	
	7 20 a	Ar.	Lv.	7 55 p
			Hamlet	
3 30 p	8 40 a	Lv.	Ar.	7 35 p 11 02 a
			Maxton	
4 20 p	9 26 a	Lv.	Lv.	6 46 p 10 25 a
			Lumberton	
5 10 p	10 15 a	Lv.	Lv.	5 35 p 9 35 a
			Clarkton	
6 05 p	11 03 a	Lv.	Lv.	4 40 p 7 45 a
			Wilmington	
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		No. 48	No. 42
Lv.	Wilmington	9 25 a m	6 50 p m
Ar.	Goldsboro	1 p m	9 32 p m
Ar.	Wilson	2 p m	10 25 p m
Ar.	Rocky Mount	2 55 p m	11 10 p m
Ar.	Norfolk	5 30 p m	
Ar.	Weldon	4 38 p m	1 11 a m
Ar.	Petersburg	5 55 p m	2 25 a m
Ar.	Richmond	6 45 p m	3 05 a m
Ar.	Washington	11 05 p m	6 30 a m
Ar.	Baltimore	1 25 a m	8 09 a m
Ar.	Philadelphia	3 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar.	New York	6 30 a m	1 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

		No. 41	No. 49
Lv.	New York	9 35 a m	5 25 p m
Ar.	Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar.	Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 32 a m
Ar.	Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar.	Norfolk		8 40 a m
Lv.	Richmond	7 25 p m	9 05 a m
Ar.	Petersburg	8 03 p m	9 45 a m
Ar.	Weldon	9 51 p m	11 44 a m
Ar.	Rocky Mount	11 00 p m	1 10 p m
Ar.	Wilson	11 32 p m	2 05 p m
Ar.	Goldsboro	6 58 a m	3 10 p m
Ar.	Wilmington	10 05 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH SOUTHBOUND.

		Daily	Daily.	Daily via Wilson
Lv.	Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 45 p m	6 50 p m
Ar.	Florence	9 35 a m	7 40 p m	3 55 a m
Ar.	Charlest'n	1 20 p m	11 40 p m	6 50 a m
Ar.	Savannah	4 18 p m	2 50 a m	9 05 a m
Ar.	Jack'ville		8 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar.	Tampa		6 55 p m	11 00 p m

NORTHBOUND.

		Daily.	Daily.
Lv.	Tampa	8 40 p m	9 00 a m
Ar.	Jacksonville	7 55 a m	7 00 p m
Ar.	Savannah	12 55 p m	1 15 a m
Lv.	Charleston	4 15 p m	6 15 a m
Ar.	Florence	7 35 p m	9 25 a m
Ar.	Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

		West Bound Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv.	Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar. 8 00 p m
Ar.	Fayetteville	12 20 p m	Ar. 4 55 p m
Ar.	Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv. 3 40 p m

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		N. Bound Daily ex Sun.	South Bound.
Lv.	Wilmington	2 25 p m	Ar. 12 30 p m
Ar.	Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv. 9 10 a m

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S. S. Oneida. Saturday, Feb. 10, 1906.

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To The Beach.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE
In Effect, Jan. 23, 1906.
(Daily.)

Leave Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville
6.00 A. M.	6.30 A. M.
Leave	Leave Beach.
7.00 A. M.	8.15 A. M.
10.00 A. M.	10.45 A. M.
11.30 A. M.	12.15 P. M.
1.30 P. M.	2.15 P. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.
6.00 P. M.	6.45 P. M.
7.30 P. M.	9.15 P. M.

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10.00 p. m.	5.15 p.m.
	10.45 p. m.

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON. N. C.

Sunday Morning, Feb. 4.

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APPALLING LOSSES FROM TEXAS FEVER

Cattle Industry Suffers $40,000,000 Every Year—Cattle Quarantine in Eastern North Carolina.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Washington, Feb. 3.—A statement issued by the bureau of animal industry of the Agriculture Department says that a "publication will soon be issued by the United States Department of Agriculture on the subject of Texas fever, a disease which has been a very serious obstacle to the development and prosperity of the cattle industry of this country, especially in the South. Texas fever is responsible for a loss of about $40,000,000 annually to the stockmen of this country. These appalling losses and annual sacrifices of the cattle raisers, it is believed, can be entirely effaced, in time, by methods outlined by the Department, and at a small proportionate cost."

The Department of Agriculture has issued the annual regulations for the prevention of the spread of Texas fever fever effective February 1st. On and after that date cattle are not allowed to be moved from the quarantine in the area to other parts of the country except by rail for immediate slaughter and under certain conditions prescribed in the regulations. The quarantined area comprises: Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, South Carolina and Florida, the Indian Territory, all of Georgia except a few northern counties, the south half of California, the southeastern half of Oklahoma, the eastern half of Texas, the southern half of Tennessee, a few counties in southeastern Kentucky, the eastern three-fourths of North Carolina, and the southeastern part of Virginia. Southern cattle properly shipped or otherwise satisfactorily treated under government supervision and freed from ticks, may be shipped without restriction.

PROFLIGATE COURT OFFICIAL.

Twenty Indictments for Embezzlement, Forgery and Larceny.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Twenty indictments were returned today against John A. Linn, clerk of the circuit court and for eight years clerk of the Superior Court. The charges are embezzlement, larceny and forgery. A short time after the return of the indictments Linn, in company with his attorney, called at the office of State Attorney Healy and gave bond for $25,000. In addition to the charges of financial irregularity Linn, is accused in one indictment of conspiring to keep from the grand jury a witnes whose evidence was important in his case. He is also charged with the retention of the records of his office and refusal to turn them over to his successor. Of the indictments relating to financial transactions, one charges that Linn, while clerk of the Superior Court of Cook county put "dummies" upon the payroll of jurors, and in this way defrauded the county out of $50,000. The specific statement is made in another indictment that various sums of money aggregating $5,000, disappeared from the cash drawers of the clerk's office. The remainder of the indictments cover charges of larceny in connection with stuffed payrolls. The embezzlement charges relate to money which was rightfully in Linn's temporary possession and which he is said to have retained.

WRECKED OFF POINT LOOKOUT.

Brig Irene Struck by Sudden Gale—Crew Rescued.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 3.—The ocean tug Storm King, which arrived here today, had on board Captain Ruggles and crew of seven men of the New York brig Irene which was wrecked in a gale off Cape Lookout on January 28. The crew were rescued by the schooner Henry B. Fiske from which they were transferred to the Storm King in Vineyard sound yesterday afternoon.

The Irene sailed from Port Reading, N. J., on January 19, for Jacksonville, with a cargo of coal. When off Point Lookout on January 21, a gale broke so suddenly over the Irene that there was no time to take in sail, and considerable of her canvas was carried away, together with her foretopmast and part of her rigging. For an entire week the vessel was beaten by the tempestuous wind and tremendous seas and she began to leak. When the water in her was nine feet deep and it seemed that she could remain above water but a short time, the Henry B. Fiske sighted her distress signals and went to her assistance. Volunteers manned a small boat from the Fiske and after a hazardous trip to the sinking vessel, took off Captain Ruggles and hisc rew with their effects.

COSTLY FIRE AT VALDOSTA.

Buggy Factory, Armour & Co.'s Warehouse and 16 Cottages Burned.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Valdosta, Ga., Feb. 3.—A fire starting shortly after noon today in the paint shop of the Henderson-Cranford Buggy Company caused a loss of $140,000. The property destroyed, beside the plant of the buggy company, included the Georgia Southern Railroad freight depot, 8 freight cars loaded, sixteen cottages, the Valdosta laundry, and Armour & Co.'s warehouse. The heaviest loses are the Henderson-Cranford Buggy Company, which carried a stock valued at $60,000 and occupied a building worth $30,000. The company carried insurance for about two-thirds of the loss. The railroad losses were from $15,000 to $20,000. Much of the merchandise in the depot was carried out, though considerably damaged.

IN FAVOR OF LOCK CANAL.

Report of Commission Made to Secretary of War.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The report of the Isthmian Canal Commission, recording its decision in favor of an 85 foot level lock canal, was submitted to Secretary Taft today. The report is accompanied by the board of engineers, the majority of whom declared for a sea level canal. It will now be for Secretary Taft to express his own views upon the great propect in an endorsement when transmitting the papers to the President.

It appear that Rear Admiral Endicott, the naval member of the commission, was the only one who differed with the majority and favored a sea level canal as recommended by the majority of the board of consulting engineers.

PARTY UNITY IS THE SLOGAN

Democratic Senators Hold Caucus to Agree on Line of United Action

DOMINICAN TREATY DOOMED

Representative Page, of North Carolina, Supports Railroad Rate Regulation Bill—Nine Speeches in House. One Againt It.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Democratic Senators perfected today what they believe to be a compact organization to defeat the Santo Domingo treaty and place the minority in a position to compel a strict party vote on other questions likely to arise during the present session. Two resolutions were adopted at a caucus continuing five hours, which the Democrats assert not only will dispose of the Dominican treaty, but will furnish the precedent for demanding a united party vote on all questions that may be considered partisan in their character, when two-thirds of the Democratic Senators so decide. The resolutions, both of which were carried by more than two-thirds of those present follows:

"Resolved, That the Senate ought not to advise and consent to the treaty between the United States and the Republic of Santo Domingo, now pending before the Senate.

Resolved, That if two-thirds of this caucus shall vote in favor of the foregoing resolution, it shall be the duty of every Democratic Senator to vote against the ratification of the said treaty."

Represented in the caucus were 26 of the 33 minority members. Those who were absent were Berry, Clark, of Montana, Gearin, McLaurin and Stone, all out of the city. Patterson with drew before the vote was taken. Teller voted for the first resolution and was excused from voting on the second, and McEnery and Taliaferro absented themselves without explanation.

Gorman was ill and Carmack was out of the city but both authorized their votes to be cast. Gearin was called to New York and telegraphed instructions to be counted as present. His dispatch was not sufficiently explicit to have his vote recorded. The first resolution was adopted by a vote of 24 to 1, Clarke, of Arkansas, voting in the negative. The second was adopted 20 to 4, Clarke, of Arkansas, Daniel, Foster and Mallory, voting in the negative.

The position of the absentees on the treaty, as represented in the caucus gives 29 against the treaty with the position of Clarke, of Arkansas, McEnery, Patterson and Taliaferro not known save for the public expressions of Patterson in the Senate in favor of the administration's policy. Whether the other three Senators will be bound by the action of the caucus remains to be determined, either by some expression of thir own or when the vote is taken.

Mr. Patterson declined to make any explanation of his leaving the caucus beyond the bare statement that he did not want to participate in the vote that was then about to be taken.

It is supposed that all of the Republicans will vote for the treaty and that four Democratic votes are necessary to secure its ratification. Democratic leaders do not believe these four votes will be forthcoming and express the hope that Senators who may be favorably disposed toward the treaty will feel bound by the caucus action today.

Nearly every Senator in attendance had something to say on the subject of making treaties questions of party policy. Several Senators declared that the Republicans already had made the Dominican treaty a party question by uniting for its support and on this ground the arguments was made that if the minority hoped to accomplish anything as a party it behooved them to emulate the Republicans and re-establish party discipline. Senator Bailey was one of the chief speakers, voicing this sentiment. Senator Clarke, of Arkansas, said that he wanted more information concerning the treaty and what it will do before he committed himself to vote on it at all. Senators Culberson, Daniel and Patterson spoke at length the last anmed taking the stand that the treaties should not be considered in the caucus.

Railroad Rate Bill.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Various phases of the railroad rate question were threshed over in the House today in the course of nine speeches which occupied six and a half hours. This concludes the fifth day of the discussion but the end is not yet. Many members on both sides of the House desire to record their views and general debate will be allowed to continue.

Mr. Clayton, of Alabama, said the legislation in principle was as old as the common law. Mr. Henry, of Texas, showed how it was supported by the constitution and the courts. Mr. Esch, of Wisconsin, explained how the bill was broad enough to include the regulation of express companies. Mr. Kennedy, of Ohio, presented an argument to contradict the claim that the control of railways was interference with private property. Mr. Crumpacker, of Indiana, believed economic conditions would still control in rate matters as they should not withstanding the granted authority in the bill, which he approved. Mr. Ellis, of Missouri, saw in the bill what he regarded as a conservative move in the right direction. Mr. Hogg, of Colorado, opposed granting legislative and judicial functions to the same body which he said would result from the enactment of the pending bill into law. Mr. Floyd, of Missouri, said it was a saving of the country from Socialism and radicalism rather than a step in that direction. Mr. Page, of North Carolina, indorsed the bill in all its features.

A complaint regarding the manner in which the newspapers handled the cotton statistics yesterday was made by Mr. Sims, of Tennessee. Mr. Sims complained of what he termed an effort on the part of certain newspapers to belittle the information. He declared it was decidedly valuable to the growers.

Mr. Payne, of New York, asked if the information had not affected the market in that direction. It had gone up and then down and then up again, answered Mr. Sims.

The House adjourned until Monday.

FATAL SKATING ACCIDENT.

Four Broke Trough Ice and Drowned in Illinois.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

La Salle, Ill., Feb. 3.—Father Gilbert Simon, of St. Bede College, and three students were drowned today while skating on the Illinois river. Several boys were standing together to have a photograph taken when the ice broke and all sank. Father Gilbert plunged in the water and saved five boys, but on re-entering the icy river for a sixth student, he became exhausted, and he with three boys were drowned.

WAR ALARM QUIETED BY GERMAN GOVERNMENT

Won't Go to War With France About Morocco — Conference Endeavoring to Reconcile Interests.

By Cable to The Morning Star.

Algeciras, Feb. 3.—The conference on Moroccan reforms has now been freed of most of the minor questions before it, and finds itself fast approaching the graver issue, which heretofore caused the serious strain in the relations between France and Germany. This issue hinges on who shall control the police of Morocco, as it appears to be resognized that who ever controls the semi-military organization, will control Morocco itself.

The delegates to the conference have shown increasing anxiety at the approach of this issue, knowing the intense feeling it has aroused between France and Germany and, accordingly, the representatives of the disinterested powers are redoubling their efforts to secure an accord before the question reaches the open conference and thereby avert an open controversy and a possible deadlock. Various compromise plans are being discussed. The ambassadors say to-night they are hopeful that a middle ground will be found that will be acceptable to both countries; but they admit the extreme difficulty of finding such a ground owing to the firmness both France and Germany thus far have shown against making concessions.

The conference to-day definitely rejected the plan proposed by the Moors for the reform of the Moroccan tariff and the determination to frame a custom system more in accord with the views of the foreign powers. The conference further decided to prepare a project to overcome Morrocco's antiquated methods restricting exports. The latter project will reduce the export taxes on many articles and do away with the rules by which Tangier is the only port for which live stock can leave Morocco. The conference is thus seeking to make the open door swing both ways, for exports and for imports.

No Danger of War.

Berlin, Feb. 3.—The attitude of the French press toward Germany on the Moroccan question has induced the German government to declare emphatically that a failure of the Algeciras conference would not lead to war with France.

STRIKE FUND OF $2,500,000.

Strike April 1st May Turn Out 620,000 Coal Miners.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 3.—The National Executive Board of the United Mine Workers of America, met behind closed doors this morning and remained in session until evening. Routine business was transacted. A special levy of $1 a week on each member of the organization to create a strike fund was discussed informally, but no action was taken There is an intimation that pressure has been exerted on some of the board members to cut the proposed assessment in two. There is little likelihood that this will be done. Secretary W. B. Wilson is especially determined that the funds thus raised shall be at least $2,500,000 and the other national officers and a majority of the board members are of the opinion that this sum will not be found too large if a strike is declared on April 1st. According to the figures at the headquarters of the mine workers, a general strike April 1st, would bring out of the mines 620,000 men, if the non-union miners of West Virginia, numbering 150,000 could be induced to strike with the union men of the other districts.

The last of the operators and miners left for their homes to-day, leaving only the members of the National Executive Board of the Mine Workers here. There was a feeling of optimism among both operators and miners when they left. Few expressed a belief that there would be a strike, though no one ventured to predict the means by which a strike would be averted.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 3.—President Ed. Flynn, of the Alabama District United Mine Workers of American, stated here tonight that the miners of Tennessee and Alabama are the only States in the union not affected by the action of the nation conxention at Indianapolis. President Flynn said that the convention's action has to do only with districts in which the contracts with the operators expire March 31st. The contracts of the Alabama and Tennessee miners with the operators do not expire until June 30.

MILLION DOLLAR FIRE.

Grain Elevator and Million Bushels Wheat Destroyed.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

East St. Louis, Ill., Feb. 3.—The Union elevator, containing a million bushels of wheat, was destroyed by fire to-night entailing a loss of more than $1,000,000. The fire spread to the stables of the St. Louis Transfer Company, and 200 hourses and 200 wagons were burned, as well as the stables. The fire started in a brick engine house thirty feet from the elevator. Before the arrival of the fire department the flames had spread to the elevator. Assistance was sent from St. Louis and the efforts of the firemen were principally directed toward preventing the fire from spreading to adjoining elevators and warehouses, the Union elevator having been converted into a furnace within a few minutes after it caught fire.

Seven dwelling houses were destroyed, being covered with burning oil by the explosion of four tanks. The occupants of the houses escaped unhurt. The oil tanks which exploded were standing nearly 400 yards north of the elevator. They belonged to the Waters-Pierce Oil Company.

LAWSON WORKING INSURANCE.

Has Enough Proxies of Big Companies to Have Voice.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Boston, Feb. 3.—Thomas W. Lawson left this city for Chicago to-day armed with a large number of proxies made out to Mr. Lawson by policy holders of the Equitable, New York and Mutual Life Insurance Companies. It is Mr. Lawson's intention to deliver the proxies to a committee made up of governors of the middle west and west proper, who have assembled at Chicago to discuss insurance reform. A large number of clerks have been engaged at Mr. Lawson's office for several months for the sole purpose of collecting and classifying these proxies and the number now in his possession is said to be sufficiently great to command a voice in the affairs of the company's.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

President Roosevelt Has Report Concerning Alleged Combine.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The reply of the Inter-State Commerce Commission to the House resolution calling on the President for information regarding an alleged merger of the Pennsylvania railroad and other companies, was placed in the hands of the President to-day. No intimation is given as to its nature or as to when the President will transmit it to the House.

GRAVE DUTY OF JURYMEN

When the Republic is Robbed Its Honest Citizens Must Protect It

WHERE OUR WELFARE RESTS

Impressive Words of Judge Speer in Greene and Gaynor Trial—Danger in Unlawful Use of Public Money.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 3.—But one witness occupied the stand during today's session of the Federal court in the case against Greene and Gaynor. This was J. W. O. Sterley, whose familiarity with dates and other information regarding river and harbor contracts and improvements was shown to be so intimate as to call forth a comment from the court touching the excellent memory of the witness. Mr. Sterley was questioned closely by both the district attorney and counsel for the accused. He was unshaken in his attitude of condemnation of methods that were followed by Captain Carter in the administration of his office as director of engineering work. The witness was chief clerk under Captain Carter and his immediate predecessor and he retained the post under succeeding heads of the Savannah district. The evidence related almost exclusively to the advertisement for proper proposals on the big contract of 1896 for the Savannah harbor, the government's contention being that Carter, for the benefit of himself and Greene and Gaynor, adopted methods that tended to the elimination of all other contractors and the consequent assuring of the big enterprise to Greene and Gaynor.

At table of contracts for river and harbor work granted from the Savannah office of the engineering department, showing the time that each contract was advertised, was admitted as evidence to-day. District Attorney Erwin said he would show that Carter made it his general rule to have his advertisements run for about fifteen days, his purpose being to shut out competition. Erwin introduced evidence intended to bear out this contention.

On adjourning until Monday, Judge Speer said, in part:

"Gentlemen of the jury: It is most important you and I should every day strive fully to realize the importance of the arduous labor in which we are engaged. We must realize that this prosecution, if proper, is intended not only to bring the accused to justice, if they are convicted conformably to law, but for the protection of the large sums gathered from the people by taxation and placed in the hands of the disbursing officers of the government or other trust officers.

"Profligacy in the misuse or unlawful diversion of public funds, as much perhaps as any other one cause, has contributed to the downfall of nations, even the most prosperous. Especially important in these days when such vast expenditures are being made for the public welfare, is the judicial protection afford by courts and juries to the public treasury. Think for a moment of the enormous sums appropriated for the construction of the Panama canal, for public buildings, for all sorts of public improvements. Not less important is your protection of the accused in their constitutional rights to a thorough investigation and an impartial trial. These, indeed, are as essential to the public welfare as the protection of the public money or any other duty of government. Now, I know this task wihch has fallen to your lot is laborious and painful. It is particularly hard for you to be away from your homes at this season of the year. It is hard on all of us. You must, however, think of the patriotic and conspicuous character of the service to the entire country we are called upon to perform. If we are thus animated to the end of the trial we may be sure of a righteous result which will receive the approbation of our consciences and country and long as we live."

SUING COUNT FOR DIVORCE.

Countess DeCastellane (Formerly Miss Gould) Creates Stir.

By Cable to The Morning Star.

Paris, Feb. 3.—Although dilligent inquiry has been made in many quarters in regard to the truth of the widely circulated report to the effect that the Countess DeCastellane (who was Anna Gould, of New York) had separated from her husband, Count Boni DeCastellane, no confirmation could be secured in any reliable quarter. The chief registry of the law courts states that the authorities have not received any notice of the intention of the Countess to sue for separation or divorce. Many rumors have been in circulation, however.

London, Feb. 3.—The Paris correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company says that he has confirmed from reliable sources a story that the Countess DeCastellane is seeking a judicial separation from her husband on the grounds of infidelity.

LYNCHERS ARE DULY WARNED.

Negro Under Sentence of Death Gets Another Chance.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 3.—The Supreme Court of Arkansas to-day directed the Sheriff of Philippe county to give warning that any persons attempting to lynch Goven Beard, a prisoner, pending a hearing of the case in the Supreme Court, will be subject to summary arrest and punishment for contempt. Beard, who is a negrc, was under sentence to be hanged next Friday for criminal assault upon a white woman. He will be given a hearing in the Supreme Court on a writ of error. A supercedeas was ordered to-day. When it was represented to the court that there was danger of mob violence unless the death sentence is carried otu next Friday, the instruction to the sheriff to warn the mob was given.

NEGRO MAIL CARRIER KILLED.

Wash Shot While Out on Mississippi Star Route.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Medidian, Miss., Feb. 3.—Information was received in Meridian this afternoon of the killing of a negro mail carrier in Kemper county. The matter for some reason appears to have been kept very quiet. The negro, who was less than 20 years o.d, carried the mail on a star route between Dekalb and a small country office about 15 miles distant called Peton. The boy left the latter office with the mail bound for Dekalb, so it is said, and a short time after his departure the horse came back rideriess. A search was instituted and the head body was soon located. It is said three shots from a shotgun penetrated his body. The mail pouch was unharmed.

President Roosevelt yesterday appointed Alfred M. Scales, of Greensboro, N. C., a member of the board of visitors of the Naval Academy.

WARM WIRELETS.

The resignation of Midshipman Judson L. Hand, of Pelham, Ga., a member of the fourth class at the Naval Academy, has been accepted by the Navy Department.

At Birmingham, Ala., yesterday afternoon, Miss Ella Russell, was burned to death when he clothing caught fire from an open grate before which she was combing her hanr. Little Dorothy Abernathy was fatally burned there last night while playing with a crowd of children who were throwing lighted excelsior balls soaked in turpentine. The child's clothing took fire when one of the balls struck her.

At Jacksonville, Fla., yesterday Frank Mehligan, a ticket broker who was last Wednesday adjudged in contempt of court for violating the order of the United States district court enjoining him from buying or selling contract railroad tickets or the return coupons of such tickets, was fined $100 and costs and sentenced to imprisonment in Duvall county jail for ten days, by Judge Boarman, presiding over the United States district court.

CHURCH RIOTS IN FRANCE.

Serious Street Fighting, Between Catholics and Anti-Catholics

By Cable to The Morning Star.

Paris, Feb. 3.—The making of inventories of church property under the provisions of the church and state separation law took place in three churches here this afternoon, but passed off without violence. Clergymen made formal protest to the commissioners before they entered the church. A number of the prisoners taken into custody for assaulting the police during the disturbances earlier in the week, were tried today, and were given various terms of imprisonment. Several members of the clergy will be proceeded against later upon charges of resisting the law. Meembers of the Chamber of Deputies will meet shortly to consider how to end the delicate situation. Telegrams from the provinces show that the riaistance is still active. Street fighting took place between Catholics and anti-Catholics at Agen and Pau. At Olivete, three miles south of Orleans, the commisisoner making the inventory was driven off by a mob of three hundred persons. Later he returned with horse and foot gendames a company of infantry and a battery of artillery, and after the doors of the church were broke in and a barricade removed, the manifestants were expeled from the edifice.

AGED WOMAN CONVICTED.

Mental Healer Fined $500 and Sent to Jail 30 Days.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 3.—Helen M. Post, the famous "mental healer," after a trial of twelve days, was found guilty in the United States court here today. She was sentenced to pay $500 fine and serve thirty days in jail. Mrs. Post, who is 75 years old, was the head of the "Mental Science Institute" at Seabreeze, Fla., and was charged with using the mails for fraudulent purposes. Her patients resided in every State in the union. She claimed to cure all ills, by so-called "absent treatment."

THE NEW TREATMENT FOR THE DRINK AND DRUG HABIT.

Owing to the fact that the Institute named below has been started on a philanthropic and not a money-making basis the following commends itself to the public.

Any physician of good standing may give the medicine, or treatment may be had at the City hospital. The craving for drink is removed from within twelve to forty-eight hours and patient can in most cases after that time attend to all business, taking the medicine for two to three times daily. Treatment lasts from two to three weeks. The drug habit requires somewhat longer and stricter treatment. Regular cost of the cure is one hundred and fifty dollars. There are also assisted cases and charity cases. Generally, conditions are such that relatives or friends are able and willing to pay regular cash. Half of the fee goes to the Head Institute in New York, which furnishes all medicines. The other half goes to helping charity cases. Applications should be made to Dr. Akerman at hospital or to any one of the following: Col. Walker Taylor, Rev. R. W. Hogue, Mr. W. N. Harriss, Mr. C. C. Chadbourn.

Attention is called to the character and language of the testimonials given below. The Oppenheimer Institute differs in its treatment from all kindred institutes. It not only cures the craving but clears and builds up the whole physical system. It goes further and seeks to impress upon the patient the necessity of good environment, to keep healthy, and unembarrassed his social, financial, moral and religious surroundings.

Mr. F. A. Vanderlip, vice-president National City Bank, New York, formerly assistant secretary of the treasury of the United States, writes: "In reply to your question regarding the Oppenheimer Institute, I beg to say that this Institute has to its credit a great number of what appear to be rather remarkable cures of the drink habit. I am inclined to believe that it is quite the best of the treatments now on the market, and it is possible that your friend may be greatly benefited by treatment at the Institute."

Rev. C. H. Fowler, D. D., LL. D., Bishop Methodist Episcopal church, writes: "I am thoroughly acquainted with the Oppenheimer Institute and can say they will do all they advertise. The treatment is a success. It will entirely remove the craving in from six to forty-eight hours. It cures, Yon can trust both the treatment and the men."

Lady Henry Somerset, of London, England, writes: "I have carefully watched the cases which during these past few months passed under his care, and I am quite prepared to state that Dr. Oppenheimer has accomplished what he undertook to carry out. I frankly own that at first I was skeptical as to what the result would be. I had seen so many failures, and had hitherto little faith in such remedies.

Father John J. Hughes, of the Paulist Fathers, New York, writes: "I have been convinced from many cases I sent to the Institute that the treatment is genuine. You need have no hesitation in urging your friend to take the treatment, provided he is sincere and wishes to be benefited."

Mrs. Isabella Charles Davis, International Order of the King's Daughters, writes: "For nearly two years I have been carefully watching the effect of the Oppenheimer treatment ment for alcoholism upon a very large number of patients, and I am convinced that men and women suffering from the dreadful disease can be permanently cured if they will obey the instructions of the physicians at the Institute.

"If Christians who are working to save the outcast and the suffering would make it possible to place this treatment within the reach of the poor who need it, under conditions that would allow a ministry to sin-sick souls as well as to diseased bodies I believe a rescue work could be done that would be without parallel in the country." **

GEORGIAN POISONED HIS WIFE.

Charged That He Did So to Get $5,000 Insurance.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Moultrie, Ga., Feb. 3.—E. W. Tucker, a prominent farmer near Hartsfield, was arrested and lodged in all to-day upon a charge of poisoning his wife, who died a month ago. Soon after her death rumors were set afloat that her husband had poisoned her to collect a $5,000 life insurance which she carried in the Phoenix Insurance Company. The policy was held up by the company upon affidavit of Mrs. Abbott, a trained nurse, that Mrs. Tucker said that Tucker had poisoned her.

The coroner's jury to-day recommended that the body be exhumed and an autopsy held This will be done Monday.

ADMIRAL SCHLEY IN DANGER.

He and Wife In Thrilling Run Away Yesterday.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Admiral and Mrs. Winfield Scott Schley were in an exciting runaway accident this evening but escaped injury. One of the horses attached to their brougham was so seriously injured that it had to be shot. The team was frightened by an automobile. They dashed wildly along Connecticut avenue, and finally crashed into a delivery wagon which was almost demolished. The Admiral and his wife alighted as soon as the vehicle came to a stop and proceeded to their home.

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All Linen Towels for the price of cotton ones. In this White Sale.

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Commencing Wednesday, Jan. 31st., and continuing for 10 days.. Everything in White will be in this sale.. It will be the chance for you to secure new 1906 goods from 1-4 to 1-2 less than the usual prices. India Linon, Cambric, Muslins, Sheetings, Bleeching, Piques, Madras, Organdies, Percales, Dimities, Laces, Embroidery, Towels, Table Cloths, and Under-muslin are some of the good things that go in this White Sale.

5,000 yards Long Cloth, Mill-End, the yard, 9c.

One case 12 1-2c. Lonsdale Cambric at 9 1-2c.

Cannon Cloth, 8c.

12 1-2c. India Linon, 9c.

50-inch Imported Wash Chiffon or Organdie; value, 50c. the yard. White sale 29c.

25c. Lidia linon, 18 1-2c.

75c. Corset Covers, 4 rows of val insertion. White sale, 59c

White Linen Finish Shirt Waist Suiting; value 15c. White sale, 10c.

1 Doz. All-Linen Ladies' Handkerchiefs; value, 10c. each. white sales, 12 for 69c.

White Wash Silk; value, 39c. sale, 24c.

3-10-12 1-2c. Embroideries, all new designs. White sale, 6 1-2c

$1.00 Sheets, 81x90, Hemstitched and Bleached. White sale, 68c.

10c. Huck Linen Towels. White sale, the dozen, 86c.

Samples sent to out-of-town residents for the asking.

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Years of Misery Followed and Never Ended Till Keeley Treatment Was Tried—It Brought Happiness and Health.

The Keeley Institute, Greensboro, N. C.:

I am now a man 48 years old. Twenty-six years of my life were spent in periodical spreeing. My recollection is that I began getting on these sprees when I was about 15 years old. I was married when 21, and the Lord blessed me with seven children. The first four, two boys and two girls, were taken from me, and I believe that God sent this affliction upon me to check me in my sinfulness and drinking; yet, although I had the prayers of a dear, good mother going up to God continually for my restoration from the drink habit, there seemed no help for me. I kept on drinking until 1897, when I got on a spree that lasted nearly two weeks. I came home very much jaded from the effects of the spree. The next morning I walked up to my brother's, nearby, to see if I could get a drink of whiskey. I found that he had none, and while sitting talking to him I became very sick and started to go into an adjoining room when I fell to the floor in a swoon. If I had been alone I believe I would have died, but by God's Providence both of my brothers were there, and they rubbed me with camphor until finally I gasped for breath. When I came to myself my brother read from the paper an article that Mr. Preston Gibson, of South Carolina, had written about the Keeley Treatment. I was persuaded by my brothers to take the treatment, and, my friends, then and there I made the wisest decision I ever made in my life. It has been seven years since I took the treatment, and those seven years have been the hapipest of my life, both to myself and family. The Keeley Treatment made an entirely new man of me, and I have no desire for drink of any kind. My principles are better, and I am a blessing to my family.

Young men and old men, for God's sake, and for the sake of those who are near and dear to you, if you are weighted down with this dreadful disease, make un your mind to go to the Keeley Institute and get rid of it; for, if you have any will power at all Dr. Keeley's wonderful treatment will make a new man of you.

From a graduate of the Keeley Institute, and a true believer in the treatment I am now a member of the Presbyterian church, drinking down the gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, that fits me for Heaven, instead of drinking the Devil's fire water that sends one's soul to Hell.

You will find the officers, manager and physican as kind and painstaking as can be, and everything possible will be done for your comfort and speedy cure. Yours very truly,

GEORGE E. HOLT, SR.
Mebane, N. C., Oct. 26, 1904.

Send names and addresses of those who may be benefitted to the Keeley Institute, Greensboro, N. C.

GUANO PRICES!

12 Per cent. Acid	$10.00	Muriate Potash	$45.00
13 Per cent. Acid	$10.50	8-2-2 C. S. Goods	$18.00
Pure German Kanit	$11.00	8-3-3 Fish Scrap	$22.00
Nitrate Soda	$50.00	8-4-4 Goods	$26.50
8-2½-2 Goods	$19.50		

W. B. COOPER,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

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REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF The Murchison National Bank

OF WILMINGTON.

At the close of Business, January 29th, 1906
(Began Business March 1st., 1899.)

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts	$1,364,928.50	Capital	300,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	335,000.00	Surplus and Net Profit	166,285.31
Bank Building	25,000.00	Circulation	300,000.00
Cash on hand and in Banks	708,999.89	Deposits	1,667,643.11
	$2,433,928.42		$2,433,928.42

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS

Jan. 29th, 1904, $1,572,284.28
Jan. 29th, 1905, $1,437,766.80.
Jan. 29th, 1906, $1,667,643.11

H. C. McQUEEN, President.
J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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STATEMENT

Hartford Fire Insurance Company of Connecticut.

Condition December 31st, 1905, as Shown by Statement Filed.	
Capital paid up in cash	$ 1,250,000.00
Amount Ledger Assets Dec. 31st previous year	13,145,962.29
Income—From policyholders, $12,936,113.40; miscellaneous, $535,835.61; Total	13,741,949.01
Disbursements — To policy-holders, $6,208,551.71; Miscellaneous, $5,024,371.77; Total	11,232,923.48
Fire Risks — Written or renewed during year, $1,284,160,498.00; In force	1,582,796,409.00
ASSETS.	
Value of Real Estate	$ 1,018,500.00
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	658,500.00
Loans on Stocks, Bonds and other Collaterals	1,000.00
Value of Bonds and Stocks	12,896,443.07
Cash in Home Office and deposited in Banks	785,032.24
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to Oct. 1, 1905	1,344,546.97
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1905	12,932.76
Interest and Rents due and accrued	9,690.90
Gas premiums in course of collection	
All other Assets, detailed in statement	10,965.69
Total	$ 18,074,860.63
Less Assets, not admitted	12,933.76
Total admitted Assets	$ 18,061,926.87
LIABILITIES.	
Losses and claims unpaid	$ 1,097,058.50
Unearned Premiums	10,097,401.46
All other Liabilities as detailed in statement	466,770.43
Total Liabilities as to Policy-holders	$ 11,661,230.39
Capital paid up in cash	1,250,000.00
Surplus	5,150,696.48
Total Liabilities	$ 18,061,926.87
BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA IN 1905.	
Fire Risks written, $9,866,305.00; Premiums received	$ 105,376.50
Losses incurred—Fire, $73,056.56; Paid	64,714.52
Losses now unpaid	9,629.84

President—GEO. I. CHASE.
Secretary—P. C. ROYCE.
Home Office—125 Trumbull St., Hartford, Conn.
General Agent for service—J. VAN B. METTS, Wilmington, N. C.
Business Manager for North Carolina—THOMAS EGGLESTON, Atlanta, Ga.

State of North Carolina,
Insurance Department,
Raleigh, Jan. 29, 1906.

I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Hartford Fire Insurance Company, of Hartford, Conn., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1905.

Witness my hand and official seal the day and date above written.

JAMES R. YOUNG,
Insurance Commissioner.

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The difference between what you did pay and what you should have paid for "things" in your recent shopping is probably enough to make it worth while for you to read the store ads. hereafter. **

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The Atlantic National Bank, at Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business, Jan. 29th, 1906.

RESOURCES.	
Loan and discounts	$ 515,654.51
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	2,977.93
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	125,000.00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits	40,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc	31,500.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	20,000.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	213,204.51
Due from State Banks and Bankers	140,732.93
Due from approved reserve agents	96,305.61
Checks and other cash items	638.00
Notes of other National Banks	5,345.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	565.49
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	$20,348
Legal-tender notes	20,750
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)	41,098.00
	5,470.22
Total	$1,538,522.25
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	125,000.00
Surplus fund	125,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	91,889.92
National Bank notes outstanding	125,000.00
Due to other National Banks	149,082.03
Due to State Banks and Banks	97,015.89
Dividends unpaid	527.00
Individual deposits subject to check	784,127.74
Certified checks	163.29
Cashier's checks outstanding	937.37
United States deposits	40,000.00
Total	$1,538,522.25

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, ss.:

I, J. W. Yates, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. W. YATES, Cashier.

Correct—Attest:
JNO. S. ARMSTRONG,
WILLIAM CALDER,
WM. E. WORTH,
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of February, 1906.

W. C. ARMSTRONG,
Notary Public.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Atlantic Trust and Banking Co., at the close of business, January 29, 1906.

(Condensed from report of Corporation Commission.)

RESOURCES.	
Loans	$592,580.45